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ADMIRING THEIR Good Eggs are the 1993 recipients of the coveted award for unselfish community service. From the left they are Web and Alice Buckham, Stew Clough and Sherry May. They were named at the Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce installation dinner at Rancho

Canada Saturday night which marked the chamber's 40th anniversary. At the back to the right is Gwen May, Sherry May's mother, who won the award in 1969. The latest awards brought to 113 the number given out since the Good Egg was established in 1953. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

As Good Eggs

Santa and Mrs. Claus, Clough, May Honored

Carmel Valley gave its coveted Good Egg award Saturday night to the popular couple who portray Santa and Mrs. Claus annually at Christmas, the driving force behind the local history society and an animal rights' activist whose mother was a past winner.

Web and Alice Buckham, Stew Clough and Sherry May were honored at the annual installation dinner of the Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce at Rancho Canada as Robert Infelise was sworn in as president for a second term.

The installation marked the 40th year of the Valley chamber, which counts more than 250 businesses, institutions and individuals as members.

The Buckhams have been flying in to Carmel Valley Village aboard the Santa

Claus plane every Christmas for the past 10 years to lead the annual Yule parade down Carmel Valley Road.

They are only the second couple ever given the coveted Good Egg since the award was initiated in 1953. Over the years since then, a total of 113 persons have been recognized for unselfishly giving of themselves to help the community.

Clough, a plumbing contractor whose community service is directed at the Carmel Valley History Society and helping the needy, also was cited for helping raise \$11,000 in seed money to sponsor the Carmel Valley Centennial celebration in 1989 and for helping Sunshine Day Care.

"There's no way I could have done any of these things without your support for my business," Clough said. He owns

Stew's Plumbing which is housed in the historic Rosie's Cracker Barrel building on Esquiline Road. Born in Springfield, Mo., Clough moved to Pacific Grove in 1938 with his family.

May, a computer specialist and member of the Carmel Valley Recreation and Park District board, became the first daughter of a former Good Egg ever recognized. Her mother, Gwen, honored in 1969, also for her work on behalf of animals, was on hand to see her daughter follow in her footsteps.

May was recognized for the technical improvements made recently at the Community Park, where she serves on the board of directors, and for her work with animals. She directs an animal welfare program which delivers pet food to people who

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Council Rejects Biason Gallery Permit Appeal

By Isabelle Hall

Stella Biason, the woman who gave Carmel the first house built by M.J. Murphy, was rejected 3-2 Tuesday by the City Council when she appealed to have her master use permit changed so she could rent a studio-gallery to a local artist.

John Biason, her son, reminded the council that Carmel was a "world-renowned artists' colony," saying the rental also would help bring revenue to the city during the current depression when many stores are empty. The debate pointed up the city's dilemma in trying to limit the proliferation of some 70 art galleries while favoring the idea of artists' studio galleries.

The Planning Commission voted 4-2 Jan. 13 in favor of changing the conditions it set two years ago to allow Biason to rent to artist Wendell Brown. But, because it requires five votes for a use permit, the request was technically denied.

Mayor Ken White, who said he had told Biason that he hoped her problem would be resolved at the hearing, joined Councilwomen Barbara Brooks and Barbara Livingston in defeating her appeal. "I didn't realize what would come into it," he said.

White described the Biason family, who sat in the audience, as "nice people and generous," but said it bothered him that not only an art gallery but any type of tourist-serving business could rent the space if the appeal was granted.

"I consider everyone who comes before us as good people," said Livingston. "I resent people being described as good people. We have to look at this in black and white and depersonalize the issue."

The majority on the Planning Commission had favored relaxing the condition that was set requiring that two of the three commercial spaces in Biason's property on the west side of Mission between Fifth and Sixth Avenues be for local-serving businesses. The vote was to let two of the three Biason spaces, all of which are in the Central Commercial zone, be used for visitor-serving businesses.

But, Planning Director Brian Roseth explained to the council that any type of tourist-serving business, even a jewelry store, could move into the space where the First Murphy house had sat, if the general use permit was changed. He said the issue

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Sam Karas Challenges KSK; Barker Begins Campaign

By Stan Hall

Saying "we do disagree on many things," Supervisor Sam Karas threw down the gauntlet in announcing he would oppose fellow incumbent Karin Strasser Kauffman in the county's new fifth district.

Without mentioning her specifically by name, the 70-year-old two-term fourth district supervisor's announcement statement cited three recent controversies in which Strasser Kauffman played a pivotal role:

- Redrawing the supervisors' district boundaries after the 1990 census. He called the long, drawn-out redistricting saga a mess "that will cost our taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars."

- A proposal supported by Strasser Kauffman to build a parking lot on Monastery Beach next to historic Bay

School. "I will not support any attempt to desecrate Monastery Beach or projects that will drastically impact the Bay School."

- The controversial Hatton Canyon Freeway on Highway 1 around Carmel. "I will continue to oppose the Hatton Canyon Freeway as I firmly believe there are alternatives less environmentally damaging."

Not to be outdone, Bill Barker, 64, of Calera Canyon seemed to lay down his own challenge to both Karas and Strasser Kauffman in announcing he was ready to begin his campaign.

"Lack of leadership by the supervisors makes ours the only county in California without approved district boundaries," Barker said. "That's not only embarrassing, it's also costly."

Saying he is a seventh generation native

of the county, Barker said he was beginning his campaign for the new fifth district "subject to final approval of the district boundaries by the U. S. Department of Justice and the federal judge in San Jose."

Karas made his candidacy official standing in front of a statue of Santa Rosalia, patron saint of Italian fishermen in Monterey. "That's my cousin," he joked to a reporter. A few supporters joined him on the edge of a sun-washed bay filled with colorful boats.

In his statement, Karas also appeared to try to draw a clear philosophical difference between himself and Strasser Kauffman, who officially announced for the new fifth district a week earlier.

"Above all, I am my own person and am

not financially or otherwise beholden to anyone, and I am willing to take a stand on controversial issues rather than let someone else make the decision," Karas said.

Karas and Strasser Kauffman would be in the same new fifth district under a redistricting plan being reviewed by the U. S. Justice Department. It was created by a special three-man commission appointed by the Board of Supervisors after it was unable to come up with an acceptable plan after 21 months of trying.

Officials expect to hear some time this month whether it has been approved for June 8 elections that have been delayed a year as the county battled legal and political challenges to a series of remapping plans.

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LETTERS

Time to Redraw Water Boundaries

The clamor for change in our political institutions certainly must include our water, sewage and drainage agencies at the county level. We sufferers from inept management of our water related institutions throughout the county can take some solace in 1993 with the national winds of change.

The Fort Ord Reuse planning for water infrastructure over the next few decades is a major factor in finding management agencies to adapt to the 21st century. The recent 1992 Grand Jury report on possibility of abandoning the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) is now on the table. But closer to home for Carmel Valley is the need for more total integrated water management for the Carmel River basin to include perhaps San Carlos Ranch, not now within the MPWMD boundaries.

It looks like the time is ripe for revamping the boundaries of the MPWMD anyway, and against the backdrop of the recent redistricting study for elections of directors, let me suggest some new MPWMD boundaries:

a. Eliminate any responsibility and coverage on Ft Ord (about 15,000 acres).

b. Revamp the southern boundaries to include San Carlos Ranch and any drainage, from the south, into the Carmel River, or aquifer. This would be a fair exchange in land coverage with the loss of Fort Ord's property.

c. Consider a phase II change, perhaps two years hence, in the district's laws to drop the north boundary of the district to the ridge line of the Carmel Valley separating the peninsula cities of Seaside, Monterey and Pacific Grove. Those peninsula cities would reform a water utilities district to cover Fort Ord and Marina in addition to present Monterey Bay cities under MPWMD "management."

(This will allow increased emphasis upon the Clean Water Act's insistence upon urban storm water management of non-point pollution by watersheds.)

d. This restructuring, from the Valley's viewpoint, will combine any sewage special districts and package plants to be more directly under an integrated water management agency. It would assure that eventually the whole Carmel Valley will be converted from septic systems, which overlie the area's drinking water supplies.

e. The water political infighting, sometimes very bitter, may be reduced by separating the Carmel Valley drainage populace from the more populated cities in the MPWMD area. For those cities, and Fort Ord-Marina, it will allow them to provide adequate total water/sewage/drainage functions and basin planning without the parochialism so distracting and expensive these past 15 years.

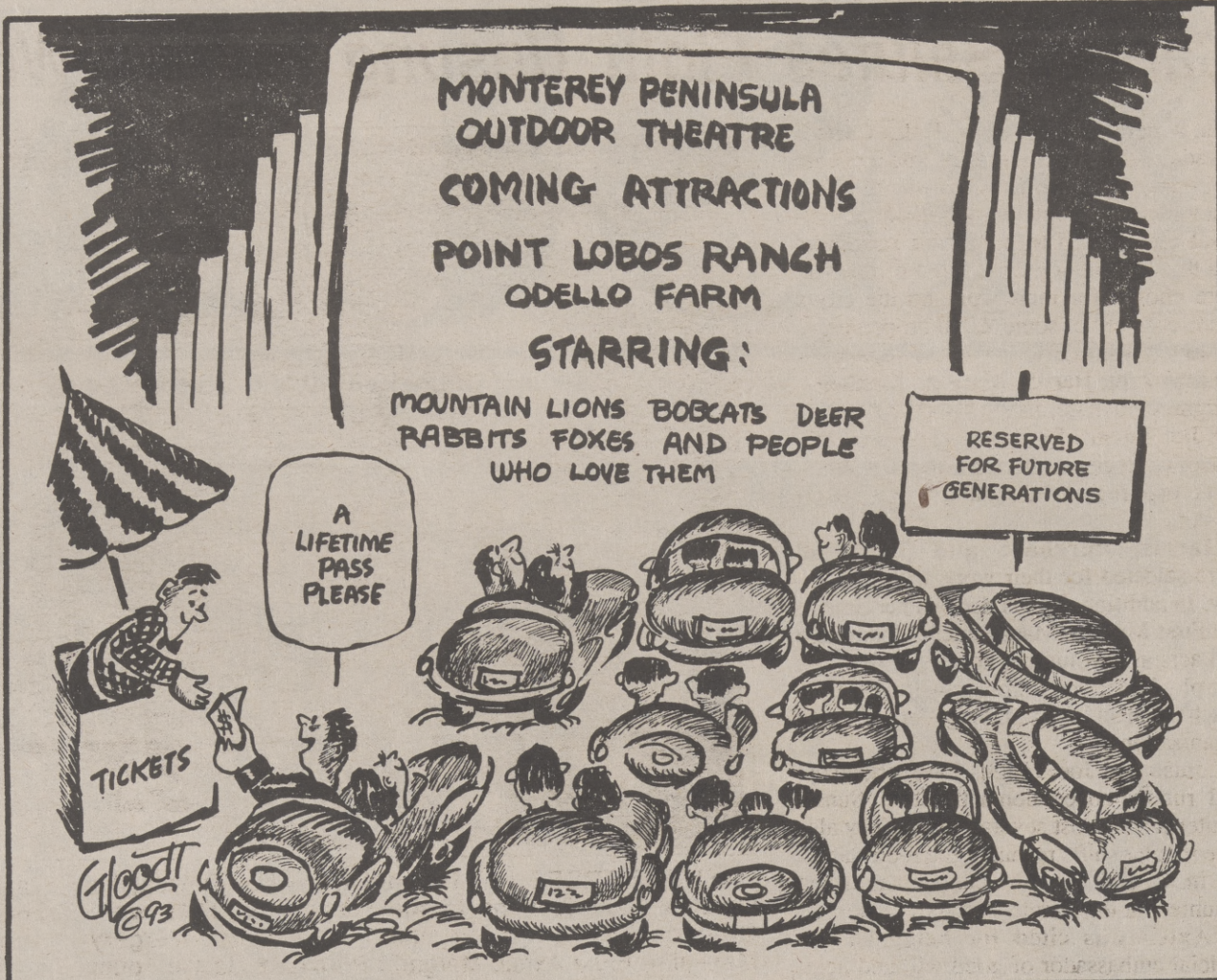
My plea is to start thinking of these realignment as measures to provide adequate infrastructure services, at reasonable costs for the younger generation in this county. Future generations should not be saddled with more of the same up and down water related services of the past. We just need to clarify our visions and strategies on water matters if we all are to survive future drought/flood cycles in this semi arid coastal geography. Restructuring the bounds of the present MPWMD is a preferred option to abandoning the district.

Wm. C. Woodworth
Pacific Grove

The author is former MPWMD director.—The Ed.

Ranch Is in Hands of Proper People

Being a business owner at the mouth of Carmel Valley Road and Robinson Canyon Road, I have had the pleasure and honor of being invited on three separate occasions to take part in gatherings, tours and hikes at Rancho San Carlos. I was asked because they showed obvious concern over my personal opinion on the future of this incredible land and its



impact from my perspective.

What I saw, and who I met, was a courteous group who have called upon all possible authorities and resources to diagnose the cause, nature and care of one of the few remaining vast rolling lands in our area.

What I personally feel is that the proposed future of Rancho San Carlos is quite humble in comparison to what could be an environmental nightmare. I also felt their dedication to the betterment and improvement of an area that without their constant attention and care could possibly have a future much more bleak than what they are proposing.

We can't stop progress, this land has a future, regardless of any attempts to halt it, whether it's cattle who gobble up all future generations of native growth or a corporation (other than the present one) who behind closed doors greedily bypass other's opinions and proper principles to create some giant money monster for themselves.

I saw no "Big Bad Wolf." What I saw was inevitable progress of a land in the hands of the proper group of people.

As for the traffic consideration, I have no answer. We are all to blame for that, we all drive, we all have places to go. Where in our country has that stopped a dream?

As for the water, they have researched and proved they have quite an adequate supply and a proper plan for drainage with every possible care for the delicacy of nature and streams.

I support the recommendations of the Planning Department staff to allow a Resource Conservation, 1 unit to 40 acre density, and a small hotel for the property. I also support the idea for commercial uses to reduce traffic.

Diane Stegman
Carmel Valley

The author owns Farm Center Framing. Her letter was written to the County Planning Commission and a copy sent to the Sun.—The Ed.

Carmel Leadership Not Questioned

After reading your Jan. 14 article reporting on the Jan. 10 public presentation by the 32 participants in the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Preservation Leadership Training Institute, I wanted to write and thank you all for your contribution to an exciting and energizing program. We were tremendously impressed with the public participation—over 70 people attending.

A primary component for participants of the Trust's week-long Asilomar institute was an exercise in "real life" problem-solving. Over six months ago, Carmel agreed to serve as a "laboratory" for this exercise. A local steering committee, working with Trust staff, identified preservation-related areas where fresh perspective and new ideas might contribute to Carmel's already noteworthy efforts.

In my opening remarks, I emphasized that the teams were not "consultants" nor had we given them a significant amount of time to fully investigate the preservation challenges in Carmel. Participants were merely applying the lessons learned during the week-long training and exercising their own thinking on creative methods to achieve preservation goals. I urged the audience to take team suggestions in the same spirit—the comments were meant to be provocative but also creative.

Therefore, I was disappointed to read the Jan. 21 Sun headline, "White, Kennedy Shrug Off National Trust Criticism." I felt that the tone of the headline and article was unfortunate. I am confident that both Mayor White and Planning Commission Chairman Kennedy, having been present, had a clear understanding of the nature of the recommendations. Certainly "leadership" was the word of the week for

our participants, but your readers should know that no one expressed anything but respect for Carmel's current leadership.

If there was any word that appropriately expresses a common theme in participants' presentations, it was "vision." Participants urged the community, and its leaders, to consider appropriate forums for more clearly defining a common "vision" for the city, given the tremendous range of ideas, amount of energy and dedication that the participants' observed during their short stay on the peninsula.

Carmel did us a great favor in opening the community up to our group exercise for which we are very grateful. We hope that we have contributed something to the community in return. We hope Carmel will take the creative ideas that suit you and run with them, but don't read more into the reports than is there.

Final written reports were distributed to over 30 interested individuals this week. We are happy to provide a report to others on request.

Thanks again to all the peninsula residents who made our week in Carmel a great success.

Kathryn A. Burns, director, Western regional office
National Trust for Historic Preservation

Sun Finds a Defender

As a one-time staff member of a distinguished New York daily newspaper, I find no fault from the standpoint of journalism practice and ethics with the *Weekly Sun's* report of the Jan. 5 meeting of Carmel's City Council.

I was at the meeting. I heard the leader of the rezoning effort state that unnamed Carmel citizens had complained to him. Their complaints, he said, concerned actions toward them by the leader of the effort to block rezoning.

I heard the mayor state that he had received similar complaints. These facts were duly reported in the *Sun*. The *Sun* also reported that the leader about whom the complaints were allegedly made had been offered the opportunity to reply and had declined to do so. This leader, as a former newspaperman and a longtime skilled infighter in Carmel politics, obviously did not decline to be heard out of ignorance that a one-sided story would result.

This was the moment, or at least in the next-week's edition, for him, or better his friends and allies, to counter the opposition's opportunistic move, however they chose to do it. This is the way politics is played, alas, all over the country, and Carmel is no exception.

The *Sun*, having made clear to its readers the possible bias of the source and the anonymity of the alleged complainants, had no choice but to provide a full account of an important public meeting.

For those friends and allies to belatedly fault the *Sun's* coverage as unfair in letters to the editor shows confusion about a newspaper's role.

Readers of the *Sun* know that the editor and publisher (the latter also the reporter of the council session) have had long and exemplary careers in journalism at the national level. It is doubtful if another weekly newspaper in the country provides such full, professional-level coverage to its area.

Howard Skidmore
Carmel

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Carmel Salutes Eight Unsung Heroes Who Help Community

In a ceremony at City Hall, Carmel Tuesday saluted six residents and a couple as Unsung Heroes who volunteer their time in a variety of simple ways without any official recognition to help their neighbors and the community. Three of the "heroes" were chosen for their work on the city's historic survey of some 2,000 properties.

Named were Eric Axtell, Gregory A. Cellitti, June Harris, Margery Manheim, Margaret Purchase, Jackie Tober and Louise and Joe Tanous. Each was given a certificate of appreciation from Mayor Ken White at the opening of the regular City Council session.

Harris, Purchase and Tober all were selected for their work with the survey. In addition, Harris donates her time to the First Murphy Management Committee and acts as a volunteer hostess at the First Murphy house and Purchase helps keep the beach clean and does mailings for volunteer organizations.

Louise and Joe Tanous have organized and run the concession activities at Sunset Center for the past several years. They also take regular shifts manning the food stands, fill in for any one who can't make it and volunteer at the Carmel Art Association.

Axtell was cited for being an unofficial ambassador of good will and helping the police department with such tasks as trying to find the money for a copying machine.

Manheim, a part-time employee at the Harrison Memorial Library laid off last year, continues to show up for her assigned shifts as a volunteer.

Cellitti, owner of Friar Tuck's Restaurant, was cited for volunteering to



UNSUNG HEROES were honored at City Hall Tuesday for unselfish contributions to the community. They were Gregory Cellitti, Louise and Joe Tanous, Margery Manheim, Erica Axtell, Margaret Purchase, Jackie Tober

and June Harris. Mayor Ken White, shown standing in the back between Manheim and Axtell, presented the awards.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Parking Changes Prompt Loudest Complaints in Carmel Since Zoning

By Isabelle Hall

Irate Mission Street business owners turned out in force Tuesday night to protest a city proposal to take 16 scarce parking spaces in the downtown area and turn them into truck loading areas. In the face of the reaction, the City Council rejected the idea 5-0.

A separate proposal to leave one-hour zones in the commercial district good for two hours for another six months trial period was approved 3-2 although the city said it would mean cutting parking ticket revenues of about \$29,000 from the 1993-94 fiscal year budget.

The proposal to create new truck loading zones came in the form of a resolution from the Staff Traffic Committee endorsing a Planning Commission recommendation that the city accept a draft Trip Reduction Ordinance (TRO). As part of the state-mandated ordinance, 16 parking spaces would be traded for three commercial loading zones and enlargement of a fourth zone.

Mel Kline, owner of two buildings on Mission Street, led a parade of 10 Mission Street business people who lined up to protest. No single issue since commercial zoning has attracted as much public attention recently.

Kline complained that landlords and businesses were not given notice and that "even the agenda doesn't say what it is. The loss of 16 parking spaces is not defensible. There's no way you're going to prevent trucks from double parking. There are 15 apartments on that street. Where are the people going to park? There are four restaurants."

Councilwoman Barbara Brooks, who is vice chair of the Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC), said the group recently voted to make the TRO voluntary for two years. She questioned Planning Director Brian Roseth how that would affect Carmel's draft TRO. "The city's under no obligation to adopt any of these loading zones," he said.

The proposed zones were on the west side of the Library Branch on Mission at Sixth Avenue, the west side of the Plaza on Mission near Seventh Avenue and the east side of Dolores at Fifth around the corner from the post office. The loading space to be expanded was at Sixth and Dolores.

Councilwoman Barbara Livingston questioned why Carmel couldn't restrict the time of truck deliveries as many European cities do. Police Chief Jack McGilvray told her, "We did that a few years ago on a trial basis, and it was a disaster. We issued so many citations, the council said to get rid of it."

Leslie Beckett, owner of the Cubbyhole, said she was the only business open when a city employee delivered notices of the meeting early Monday morning, and she took it upon herself to tell everyone else, "That's why they're here. Our block has a lot of popular restaurants. The city's harming residents more than helping them be eliminating four parking spaces."

Toni Jepson, executive director of the Carmel Business Association (CBA), said the proposal would "be a tremendous impact on business and on city revenues. You can't do it."

Marjorie Frick, former owner of the Carmel Café with Beckett, her daughter, said, "it would be a fiscal holocaust for us. We're just seeking commercial survival."

Doug Steakley, owner of Concepts Jewelry for the past 18 years, said if the idea was to reduce pollution fumes, the city would be better advised to provide parking for employees who constantly have to move their cars to avoid the meter maids.

Blake Everett, manager of the Polo Shop, said he paid his customers tickets rather than watch them leave his store before buying anything.

"We can ill afford to lose the parking spaces," said Greg Cellitti, owner of Friar Tuck Restaurant. He said some of the drivers leave their trucks double parked and eat their lunch in town.

"Let's not hurt our small businesses by taking away parking spaces," Brooks said.

Brooks and Livingston opposed extending the two-hour zone parking test after Acting City Administrator Greg D'Amrosio said the parking ticket revenue of \$28,995 had already been budgeted.

McGilvray said the change had converted 274 of the business district's 510 one-hour parking spaces into two-hour limits. He said the department reviewed the 34,934 overtime citations issued in 1991 to project the loss if the conversion was continued. The city gets \$8.70 from each \$15 fine for overtime parking violations.

"It's disturbing to me to give up some \$30,000 in a budget that's going to require us to make massive cuts," Brooks said later.

Post Office Plans Displayed

Plans for the Post Office project proposed by the 2106 Committee are on display at the Post Office. Mayor Ken White seeks comments on the proposal that can either be dropped in the adjacent Suggestion Box or sent to him at Box CC.

Floor Area Ratios Okayed Despite Fears Growth Will be Encouraged

The City Council unanimously approved a new ordinance setting floor area ratios (FAR) for large lots Tuesday despite complaints from former Planning Commission Chair Carla Ramsey that it would only encourage subdivision so more more houses could be built in Carmel.

Ramsey also complained that the ordinance actually reduced the size of floor area ratio on 8,000 to 12,000 square foot lots, saying, "We're talking about property rights here and extremely expensive property. If we're not all clear, we should look at it again."

"You're going to encourage the subdivision of these lots into smaller lots and lose some of the larger homes that can accommodate families that still want to live in this city."

Steve Wilmoth, a residential architect, said, "You're ignoring the lots in the middle where most people live. To call an 8,000 square foot lot small is wrong in Carmel. It's twice the size of most lots."

"I'm here at the request of several clients who have 8,000 square foot lots and can only build 1,800 square foot houses," he said.

The ordinance has been under consideration virtually since 1990 when the council approved limiting the FAR on 4,000 square foot lots to 40 percent or a 1,600 square foot house, including a garage. The action led to a vote which rescinded the ordinance and set the FAR at 1,800 square feet.

Lou Ungaretti, who owns a big house on a 40,000 square foot lot, told the council, "The primary purpose of this was to address houses on lots from 12,000 square feet on up. We should have an equitable solution for large lots."

When Ramsey inquired why the FAR on lots between 8,000 and 12,000 square feet were reduced, Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth said he had discovered some typographical errors in early city reports on the issue and apologized for the errors. He said what was in the ordinance was "what's in the code."

A table in the ordinance allows a house of 2,960 square feet to be built on an 8,000 square foot lot. A sliding scale goes to a

feed fund-raising organizations ranging from the Fire Department to the Carmel Business Association and the Red Cross. The citation said he has been known to close his restaurant early so he can do the volunteer cooking for the Carmel Foundation.

40,000 square foot lot with a maximum house size of 6,000 square feet.

Later, Ramsey said, "I plan to meet with Brian Roseth because I'm still puzzled."

In a plea for a return to the practice of making copies of the council packet available to the public, she said, "It's important that the public have the same information as the council so we're all dealing from the same deck."

The council agreed to consider making more copies available at its March 2 session.

Teachers Win Grants For Innovative Projects

The Carmel Unified School District Board has approved \$24,000 for state financed teacher mentor projects for 1992-93.

The grants will go to teachers for development of projects to enrich or broaden their classroom instruction. The mentors implement their projects and also instruct other teachers in the areas of their specialty, according to Rosemary Montgomery, CUSD assistant superintendent.

The following teachers received the \$4,000 mentorships: Tularcitos teachers Patty Armstrong for technology education and Imogene Speiser for art; Carmel River teachers Elaine Green for environmental education and Patrick Allan for visual and performing arts; Donna Lewis of Carmel High School for library technology, and Carmel Valley High teacher Bruce Stannard for technology education.

Armstrong and Green both received their grants for a second year, Montgomery said.

Setting It Straight

In the Jan. 28 edition, the Sun reported in an article about Sunset Center that Howard Nieman, Jr. does legal research for Carmel City Attorney Don Freeman. The Sun was unaware that Nieman ceased doing such research when the city won its short-term rental lawsuit, and apologizes for the error.

SHERIFF'S LOG

CARMEL. A Salinas man was arrested on charges of evading an officer and investigation of drunk driving after a high speed chase that started at Monastery Beach, proceeded through Monterey, Seaside and Marina and ended at Salinas River State Beach. A deputy said the chase began when he checked on an illegally parked car at Monastery Beach, and a man naked from the waist down ran from it. The deputy gave chase, and the man doubled back, got in his car and sped away. The chase reached speeds of 100 miles an hour. The man blew out the left front tire on his car when he missed a turn, but continued on and finally lost the rim off the wheel before being caught at the end of a dead-end street. 1/24.

VILLAGE. A man was booked into county jail on charges of being drunk in public after deputies received an anonymous call about him being in front of Kasey's. 1/25.

BIG SUR. A man said his home on Pfeiffer Ridge was entered and items were stolen. 1/25.

Expensive Bike Taken

VALLEY. A man who lives on Schulte Road said his Yokama 20-inch bicycle was stolen from his residence. He said it was worth \$1,000. 1/26.

VALLEY. A man said someone entered his home on Via Mallorca and took guns and jewelry. 1/26.

BIG SUR. The owner of River Inn reported an attempted theft of gas. 1/27.

SOUTH COAST. A Big Sur man said his car was entered while parked at Soberanes Point, but nothing was taken. 1/27.

VALLEY. A man said his landlord wrongly moved his property out of his rented Trampa Canyon residence in an attempt to evict him. 1/27.

VALLEY. The principal reported the theft of a sign at Carmel Valley High School. 1/28.

CARMEL RANCHO. A man who lives on Rio Road reported he lost his watch at Carmel Rancho Center. 1/28.

CARMEL. Three residents in the Lower Trail, Upper Trail neighborhood reported their cars had been burglarized or vandalized. In one instance, a woman reported her loss totalled \$1,365 when her purse was taken containing a diamond ring, credit cards and cash. 1/28.

Golfers in Fuss

VALLEY. A man who lives on Esquiline reported his golfing buddy threw his cap and prescription glasses in the Carmel River after he ran over his partner's golf bag cart and broke its wheel. 1/28.

CARMEL. A woman reported someone entered her unlocked car and took the ash tray and the change in it while the vehicle was parked outside her Carpenter Street home. 1/28.

VALLEY. A deputy found the door open at Carmel Bicycle, but the owner came and said nothing was amiss. 1/28.

BIG SUR. An Oakland man reported a computer and a purse were taken when his van was burglarized while parked at Pfeiffer State Beach. 1/29.

RIO ROAD. A security man found a Carmel woman's purse at the Bank of America ATM and it was returned to her. 1/29.

Car's Tires Taken

CACHAGUA. A Carmel Valley Village woman reported four tires were stolen from her car a month ago while it was parked in Cachagua. 1/29.

BIG SUR. A man from Coast Gallery reported the theft of a \$1,200 pendant. 1/29.

BIG SUR. The CHP asked the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team for help in checking out cars on Big Sur cliffs. A deputy said four stolen ones were located, but all had been reported missing some time ago. 1/30.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on Carmelo reported seven cords of firewood worth \$1,600 were taken from a vacant lot she owns on Canada Drive. She said the theft occurred between 12/20 and 1/28. 1/31.

SOUTH COAST. A man reported a loss totaling \$350 when his vehicle was burglarized while parked at Garrapata State Beach. 1/31.

CV Road Light Set To Go On Next Week

Weather permitting, the new stoplight at Highway 1 and Carmel Valley Road will begin operating about the middle of next week after turning lanes are painted on the pavement, said County Public Works Director Gerald Gromko.

Negotiated by Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman, Caltrans' installation of the light has proved to be controversial, some residents suggesting it will make congestion at the busy intersection worse. Local drivers now typically wait on one another and take turns passing through the intersection.

Laborer Center Plan To be Aired Feb. 17

Residents were reminded to mark Feb. 17 on their calendars for a town hall meeting to discuss a proposal to create a non-profit agency to operate a job referral center in Carmel Valley Village for Latino day laborers seeking work.

The reminder was issued by Randy Randazzo, Village grocer who served as chairman of the citizens' committee which worked with former Rep. Leon Panetta in devising the plan.

The town hall meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Carmel Valley Community Youth Center. Randazzo said the committee wanted to explain its plan and seek the community's advice and approval for it.



NEW DRAINAGE PIPES are being laid at the end of Pescadero Canyon by Granite Construction Co.
Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

A Run Stop Sign Leads to Arrest Of Alleged I-5 Bandits in Carmel

A chase that began when a Carmel officer saw a van run a stop sign by the police station triggered the arrest of three men and two juveniles who are suspected of 40 robberies from Seattle to Southern California.

Carmel Detective Dan Clark said the men are suspected of being what is known as the I-5 Bandits, a group from the Los Angeles area which has robbed stores up and down the coast.

The men picked up on the peninsula Jan. 27 are suspected of the theft of \$40,000 worth of Rolex watches from a San Jose store the same day and a recent \$300,000 jewel robbery at A. Hirsh and Sons in Northridge Mall in Salinas, Clark said.

Those arrested by the Monterey County Sheriff's Department were Mardel Jennings, 21, Lionel Woods, 19, and Edwin Taylor, 20. The Carmel police arrested a juvenile whose name could not be released, and the Monterey police arrested a second juvenile.

Clark said a loaded handgun, masks and pillowcases were in their vehicle, and it was possible the men were in Carmel to carry out another robbery.

Policeman John Nyunt saw their vehicle run a stop sign right next to the Carmel Police station shortly after 6 p.m. on Jan. 27, Clark said. The officer followed the van which pulled to the side of the road as if to stop and then made a getaway. Nyunt pursued it to east side of Santa Rita where it crashed into a tree, leaving a 90-foot skid mark, Clark said.

All the suspects attempted to flee. Clark said Nyunt was able to apprehend the driver, but the four other suspects escaped on foot through a yard.

The sheriff's department picked up three other suspects that night on Highway 1 near the Carmel Valley Road about 9:30 p.m. when four men were observed scuffling among themselves, Clark said. A juvenile fled on foot, but was picked up at the Monterey Transit Plaza by the

Monterey Police Department after a local cab company transported him there.

Clark said the vehicle wrecked on Santa Rita was from Salinas and one of four believed to have been stolen by the group during the day. Two vehicles were stolen in San Jose prior to the robbery there, and two were stolen later in Salinas. The group evidently used one vehicle for the robbery and would park the other somewhere in the vicinity to use as a getaway vehicle, Clark said.

Besides the loaded firearm found in the wrecked vehicle, the Carmel police found a .357 Magnum in the yard of a nearby house during a search the next day. Both firearms were thought to have been used in the San Jose robbery, Clark said. He said the suspects had \$2,100 in cash in their possession when arrested, and one was wearing a Rolex watch which had been taken from the San Jose store.

The San Jose Police Department interviewed the men and transported them to back to San Jose where they were booked on robbery charges.

Sgt. Jerome Smith of the San Jose Police robbery division said the effort of the Carmel police, sheriff's department and Monterey police working in conjunction with bulletins from San Jose was "real good cooperative police work." He said the case is still under investigation.

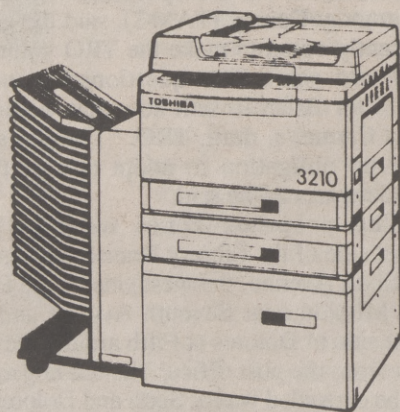
In another theft in Carmel, police officers arrested Gerald L. Woody, 22, and Raymond John Torres, 20, both of Oakland at 4:30 a.m. on Jan. 26.

A cash drawer at the Cypress Inn was broken into, and an employee who had been working in a nearby room, reported it to police. Officer Larry Bagley arrested the two men and found more than \$2,000 in their car.

Clark said the officer spotted the vehicle as it started up and pulled away from the curb. The two are in county jail on burglary charges, Clark said.

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Major Carmel Issues Discussed in Empty Chamber

By Isabelle Hall

The public was conspicuous by its absence Wednesday as the Planning Commission discussed three major Carmel issues—the Housing Element, a Trip Reduction Ordinance (TRO) and allocation of the city's future water resources.

Commissioners turned thumbs down on a proposal to charge for parking at Vista Lobos, made some preliminary decisions on what segments of the community should get water when the Paralta Well comes on line, and accepted a staff report on low-cost housing. Carmel has been told it will get 15.08 acre feet from the well of which it has already committed 4.368 acre feet for previously approved projects.

Some applicants were on hand for their hearings, but no members of the public except a representative of the Monterey-Carmel Board of Realtors and the chairman of the city parking committee, spoke on any of the issues.

Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth had suggested that the free municipal parking lot at Vista Lobos be converted into a fee parking lot as part of a car-pooling program to qualify the city for \$30,000 in grants from the Congestion Management Air Quality grant under the state-mandated TRO.

"All of this seems more punitive than I feel comfortable with," said Commissioner Ed Jordan.

When Chairman Jack Kennedy opened the public hearing, Vice Chair Brian Congleton said, "There's no public to comment."

"If we want people to carpool, we have to give them free parking," said Commissioner Lindsay Hanna. Roseth

proposed that 25 percent of the Vista Lobos and Sunset north parking lots would be reserved for carpools run by employees working in the city.

"If we push this through, we're defaulting on a commitment to the City of Carmel to provide parking which the council committed to the people when they got the money and paid for Vista Lobos," said Congleton. "I'm strongly opposed to it. This is part of an incremental analysis of a parking report which we haven't done." On a 6-0 voice vote, the commission approved making bus passes available at a 50 percent discount for persons who live or work in Carmel, Carmel Valley or the sphere of influence, but did not approve the Vista Lobos proposal.

Kennedy recalled that the thrust of the Vista Lobos park "was that this would be for free parking for residents." He asked why not use the north end of Sunset Center instead, and the commission agreed to make that area a test in the grant proposal.

Alan Williams, chairman of the Ad Hoc Parking Committee, said, "The only way you're going to take some people out of cars is to make it tougher for them to park in this town...state laws are going to impose things upon us. We're not going to have the choices we had."

The commission cast a unanimous voice vote to seek a grant for electric vehicles to replace aging gasoline-operated scooters used by the police who give out parking tickets.

It gave policy direction on development of a new water ordinance by approving the following allocation for future water from the Seaside well:

- 65 percent to the joint category of R-1

Vacant lots, R-1 Demolition/rebuild, R-1 remodel and R-1 demolition/lot split.

- 20 percent to the joint category of multifamily housing, affordable housing, mixed use projects and commercial conversions.

- 5 percent to commercial use change
- 5 percent to municipal projects reserve
- 5 percent for a general reserve

The commission voted to allocate no water at all to three land use categories: land subdivision, vacant lots not in the R-1 and new commercial floor space.

The General Plan gives preference to residential uses, Kennedy said.

A motion to recommend the water allocation be established by an ordinance was approved 4-2 with Jordan and Hanna opposed. Upon reconsideration, it passed unanimously when it was modified to require that the allocation percentages be reviewed annually.

The commission also approved a recommendation that water be committed to a project upon approval of the project.

"We don't want to get so set that we can't weasel out later," quipped Hanna during the discussion.

"We're not running the government in Washington," said Jordan. "We can make decisions."

"It really bothers me that there is not one drop of water for the business community," Hanna complained at the start of the session. "I certainly want to see some of this water go to the business community." He said the commission

"needs to send a message to the business community that we think it's an important part of the community."

Kennedy explained that the City Council wants 5 percent of the future water allocated for municipal projects. If the city decides to remodel Sunset Center, he said, "We will be mandated by the state for more bathrooms."

Changes in the first part of a staff report updating the Housing Element of the General Plan, which is required by state law to be updated every five years, were approved unanimously with some technical recommendations by Sheryl McKenzie, director of the Monterey-Carmel Council of Real Estate Boards, and the only member of the public to speak on the issue.

Carmel is one of 79 percent of the cities in California which have not updated their Housing Elements. The Element was adopted in 1984 and last revised in 1986.

The changes bring the element up to date with the 1990 census results. Associate Planner Rick Tooker said that following review of the other three parts of the update in March, the commission should hold a public hearing before forwarding the document to the state for review.

In other action, the commission approved a draft agenda for its Feb. 24 meeting when a representative of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will answer questions on water allocation issues.

Commissioners also will be given a slide show of all the signs that have been approved in the city during the past year.

Planning Commission Vetoes Separate Design Review Idea

The idea of a Carmel Design Review Committee separate from the Planning Commission got short shrift in the face of some fierce opposition.

Proposed by both Mayor Ken White and Planning Chairman Jack Kennedy at an Administrative Committee meeting Jan. 14, it died at the hands of the full commission Jan. 27.

Instead, Kennedy urged that there be no more separate city groups formed like the 2016 Committee to do long-range planning when that is a prime purpose of his commission. Commissioner Ed Jordan, who also is vice chairman of 2016, agreed at the end of a full discussion on the White-Kennedy proposal.

"I feel very strongly we shouldn't do this," said Commissioner Carl Livingston, Jr. "It's just creating more bureaucracy. There wouldn't be as much public review. I serve on the commission to help protect the residents, and I like to see issues come before the commission. I vehemently oppose it."

If there were a design review committee, Livingston said, "I'd like to serve on it rather than talk about long range plans which I won't be alive to see. We've been talking about the dam for years and the argument to put a parking lot on top of Sunset Center is wasting our time. It's got to be put to the residents for a vote. I am strongly and vehemently opposed to a design review committee."

"We're dealing with a small city, just 4,000 people," Jordan said, warning that such a committee was "potentially very bureaucratic," particularly in view of past complaints that it takes forever to get things done in Carmel.

Commissioner Maggie Hardy endorsed the proposal because she thought it would give the commission the chance to do long range planning.

But Commissioner Lindsay Hanna pointed to Wednesday's agenda which he said contained only one item that would go to a separate Design Review Committee.

And, frankly," he said, "I wouldn't want to give up my responsibility for the business community...Right now if this agenda is typical, we don't need to set up a new organization."

"Maybe the answer is to convince the mayor and council that long range planning chores should be given to this commission rather than setting up groups like 2016 to do them."

"We have no water and people have very little money," said Commissioner Brian Congleton. "We may be in a position at a future date where we need a Design Review Committee."

"With 20 spec houses on the market, there isn't going to be a big run," commented Alan Williams of Carmel Development Co., the only member of the public on hand. With the budget coming up, the Planning Department staff been cut 30 percent, and lacking a department head, he said it would be the wrong time to try and implement a new committee to further drain the staff.

Williams also noted that there had been a lot of criticism of the city's Murphy Park "precisely because it didn't come before the Planning Commission."

"You like one-stop shopping," laughed Kennedy.

Just Five on File for Planning Vacancy

An "advertisement" for applicants to fill the vacancy on the Planning Commission created by Vice Chairman Brian Congleton's resignation was posted at Carmel City Hall Thursday.

City regulations state that the advertisement of the post is met by simply posting a notice, according to the clerk's office. No one has come forward since the posting but there are five applicants on file.

Persons who make formal application to serve on volunteer city commissions and committees are considered to be interested unless they withdraw their names.

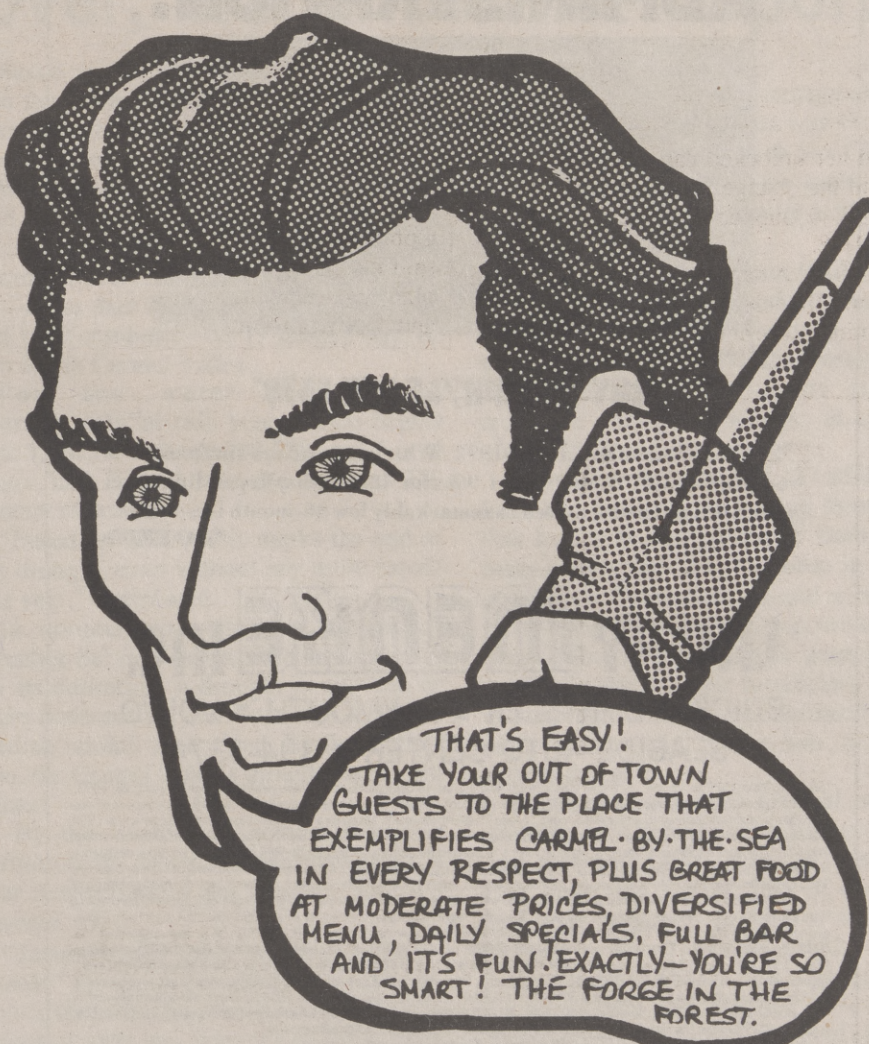
On file for the seven-member commission are semi-retired businessman Lou Rolle, Jr.; electrical contractor Roger Rector; writer Roy Gilligan; artist/contractor Paula Hazdovac; and Janice Fisher, a citrus grower and former vice chair of the Planning Commission in Redlands. All five have appeared before the City Council for interviews. Rolle was rejected on a 2-2 tie vote last spring when Councilwoman Barbara Brooks was absent.

Congleton, an architect, resigned effective Feb. 10, saying he he was not able to work in the city due to the conflict of interest created by his service on the commission.

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Audit Shows Carmel Schools Have \$3 Million in Reserve

By Carolyn Rice

A Carmel Unified School District audit by C. Tom Nelson and Associates showed it ended the fiscal year June 30 with \$3 million in reserve.

For the year, the district had expenditures of \$14,682,433. Of that amount, the audit showed \$6.5 million was paid to teachers and administrators and \$2.3 million to other school employees. Employee benefits added another \$2.3 million.

Books and supplies cost the district \$772,178 and capital outlay \$648,089. Other expenses added \$621,654.

Reporting on his audit at the Jan. 28 school board meeting, Nelson said it "was kind of a rigorous examination." Besides looking at financial records, school programs are audited to make sure they are in compliance with state and federal standards of operation. His firm audited the district last year also and made nine recommendations which have been fully implemented, Nelson said.

The firm made four recommendations this year, Nelson said. "That is a very low number generated by our firm," Nelson said.

It recommended the school bring its in-

dependent study program into compliance with state code, revise high school attendance procedures and keep an equipment inventory which indicates funding sources. The audit also said employees whose salaries are charged to one or more federal or state grant programs need to maintain a time log to support the percentage of cost distribution to each program.

Superintendent Vance Baldwin said he had been attending a meeting of state superintendents in Monterey, and other districts are having to make cuts in programs on top of cuts made during the previous two or three years. "Other school districts in the state are in trouble and have real problems," Baldwin said. "We are just so fortunate with the quality of the board and staff and to have some money in the bank."

The school district increased its capital outlay expenditures to \$648,089 from \$232,368 in 1991. Judy Long, business and support services director, said the money primarily went for four relocatable classrooms, three school buses and roofing repair at Tularcitos and Captain Cooper. Long said the relocatable classrooms were purchased to provide additional space to ac-

commodate the growing elementary population and replace ones that did not comply with the Field Act on earthquake standards.

In 1991, the district spent \$6,000,783 on teachers and administrators salaries. The amount rose to \$6,558,298 in 1992.

In other business, the board heard about the crowded kindergarten situation at Tularcitos. Judy Leavelle, a Tularcitos kindergarten teacher, told the board, "During nine out of the last 10 years we've had overcrowded classes. It's not fair to the students or teachers," she said.

The board considered adopting a policy which would require the district to hire an additional teacher when enrollment reaches 27 pupils per teacher—a total of 81—or to give teachers additional aid time.

"I'm sorry to show my age, but what ever happened to morning and afternoon sessions?" asked Gary Gray, a board member.

Assistant Superintendent Rosemary Montgomery said a survey was taken at the school last fall, but there not much support for dual sessions.

Lori Hightower, a Tularcitos parent, said, "I'm disappointed they are not thinking about a morning and afternoon session." She later told *The Sun* if the sessions were planned that way before school started, she thought a number of families could adjust their schedules. But it's harder to change after the year has already started, she said, as the district was considering doing this year. "Parents need to adjust if an afternoon session is offered," she said.

Other board members asked where a fourth class would be housed, noting the kindergarten complex is already stretched to the maximum and no other classroom is available.

Leavelle said in a poll conducted by the school the vote was split about 50/50 for a split schedule. "A lot of parents have special needs that couldn't be met by a split schedule," she said.

After the discussion, the board took no action.

The board also heard a first reading of the district's homework policy. Drew Teti, the student representative from Carmel High School, questioned part of the

policy which said students who have an unexcused absence may be given the opportunity to make up missed work for full or reduced credit.

Teti said he thought students should be allowed to make up the work for full credit. He said absences need to be excused within 24 hours, but if students forget to bring a note explaining their absence, they go down as unexcused.

He said if he forgets to bring a note from his father, he cannot be contacted at work, and therefore the absence is unexcused. Teti said unexcused absences result in disciplinary action and should not also result in lowered grades.

Pat Condren, a board member, said, "There may be students who did not choose to attend class, and their teachers may not be sympathetic."

"To say you go to the beach one day and can still make up your work for full credit would be a bitter pill for teacher's to swallow," Montgomery agreed.

"I think Drew has opened a can of worms here," Condren said. She recalled when a parent came to the board and protested a teacher had lowered the child's grade because the teacher didn't approve of the child going on a trip with the parent.

"Do we have the right as a board to address it or does each teacher have the right?" Condren asked.

Patricia Herro, a board member, said she would appreciate some feedback from the teachers, and Chairman Frank Pinney asked Teti to bring some input from the Associated Student Board.

Rock Slide Closes Highway 1

A rock slide closed Highway 1 two miles south of Gorda Jan. 29, and Caltrans has no estimate when the road will reopen. It is the fourth slide to close Highway 1 in Monterey County this year.

Caltrans officials said the slide was still moving Friday and about 700 cubic yards of rocks and dirt have covered the highway. Crews would not be able to start cleanup operations until the hillside stabilized, officials said.

School Board to Appoint Bialek's Successor

The Carmel Unified School District (CUSD) board voted at its Jan. 28 meeting to appoint a member to fill out the unexpired term of Hilton Bialek who resigned Jan. 15.

The board had the choice of appointing a board member or calling a special election at the cost of \$19,000 to \$26,000, said board member Gary Gray, an attorney. He cited the expense of a special election as the reason the board has decided to appoint Bialek's replacement.

The appointee will fill Bialek's unexpired term which runs until Nov. 2, the next regularly scheduled election.

Those who are interested in applying

must apply by 5 p.m. Feb. 19. Superintendent Vance Baldwin said applications may be obtained during business hours from the CUSD administrative office on Carmel Valley Road near Carmel Middle School, by phoning the office or by writing CUSD at P.O. Box 222700, Carmel, Calif., 93922.

On Feb. 23 the CUSD board along with representatives from the certified and classified staffs, a parent and a student representative will interview those who apply. The board will appoint the new board member following the interviews. The new board member will be sworn in Feb. 25 at the regular board meeting.

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Desal Advances as Board Receives New Drought Reserve Calculations

By Stan Hall

Certifying the necessary environmental impact report, directors of the water management district moved ahead with plans for a proposed desalination plant after hearing a hydrologist's report that made it sound more critical for protection against future drought.

Hydrologist Darby Fuerst, saying his study was not final and offering no written report, said that construction of the proposed desal plant on Monterey Bay would be necessary to provide adequate drought reserve using his new assumptions and triggers.

His conclusion was different than in October when he said bringing on line the long-delayed Paralta well in Seaside would, by itself, provide an adequate reserve to meet the board's policy. That policy says that enough water should be held in reserve to ensure that no more than 10 percent rationing would be required during the worst droughts on record.

General Manager Larry Foy of California-American Water Co., objecting that he had seen no written report from Fuerst, challenged Fuerst's new conclusion.

"It seems to me that you're simply playing with the numbers to make them come out the way directors want," Foy told Fuerst.

"I take exception to that. I take exception," said former Chairman Dale Hekhuis, the strongest supporter of desal on the board. He had turned over the gavel earlier in the day to director Ken Long after serving two years as chairman.

Praising Fuerst's honesty and professionalism, Hekhuis later said, "We're making a very serious commitment to the public—that there will be no mandatory rationing."

Director Dick Heuer, who already has announced he will work to defeat a public vote on the desal plant, suggested "a large segment of the public will be skeptical." Heuer did add that the difference he saw in Fuerst's calculations hinged on whether the district wanted to maintain 100 percent of a future year's demand in reserve or just 90 percent.

After the meeting, Fuerst told the *Sun*, "We would be holding more water back now, 100 percent (of the following year's projected demand)."

He added that the directors had been uncomfortable with the set of triggers and assumptions that were used for his first calculations.

Even under the new assumptions, he said the Paralta well still would provide adequate drought protection to achieve the board's policy "except for a 12 month period in 1977."

Fuerst's calculations were based on 1,080 months of water data or 90 years' worth. Once the Paralta well, the Pebble Beach reclamation project and the 3-million-gallon-a-day desal plant comes on stream, Fuerst said his historical calculations indicated the area still would face 20 months of rationing, but none steeper than 10 percent.

No action was taken, but Fuerst said he would report back to the board with a written explanation of his new calculations.

The board had similar trouble when it came to trying to decide how it would allocate water from the Paralta well, the reclamation project and the desal plant, if it is built.

"Due to the difficulty of knowing the sequence in which new water actually will be on line, focusing on use of water by project rather than by priority of use is potentially confusing and may distort the board's intended priorities for new water use," the staff said.

It proposed setting aside the first 230 acre-feet of new water to cover a so-called deficit—the allocation of more water than can be safely provided. The next 108 acre-feet would be divided between drought reserve and a district reserve for projects that benefit the community good. The next 662 acre-feet would be divided equally between drought reserve and new connections. Finally, the staff said all new water after that up to 3,000 acre-feet would be divided between drought reserve and new connections.



WITH THE RIVER STILL flowing strongly to the sea, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has declared the area's drought officially over, based on its standard of how much water flowed into the Carmel River. Water Resources Manager Darby Fuerst told the district's board that 39,000-acre-feet flowed into the river in the first

three weeks of January—more than in the drought years of 1988, 1989 and 1990 combined and enough to signal an end to the drought even if no more rain falls this winter. Shown above is the deep channel the flow has carved through the sand dune at the mouth of the Carmel River.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

tions.

Some board members protested that if the Pebble Beach reclamation project comes on line first, it could not legally be used to make up the deficit because existing agreements specify how the 800 acre-feet of water it will replace will be used.

In the end, Long asked the staff to report back with a proposal for handling Pebble Beach water, should it be the first project to become available.

Long also appointed a subcommittee of Hekhuis, Fran Farina and Jim Hughes as chairman to consider recommendations of a citizens' advisory committee on how new water projects should be financed. He asked them to have a draft ordinance ready for the board's Feb. 22 meeting.

The committee recommended that a desal plant be financed 50 percent from user fees and 50 percent by new connection charges. It recommended a dam should be financed 79 percent by user fees and 21 percent by new connection charges.

Its most controversial recommendation, however, that water from these projects should be available on a first-come, first-serve basis with no allocations being set for the various jurisdictions within the district.

Joanne Ratcliffe of Carmel Highlands, representing the League of Women Voters, also protested the committee's "emphasis on new connections" for financing. She said it simply "builds in new growth" in an area suffering from an already strained infrastructure.

In addition to certifying the EIR for the 3-million-gallon-a-day desal plant, carefully noting that it was not authorizing the project prior to the public vote, directors also accepted an engineers report which describes the project and the proposed Zone 5 which would be created to pay for it.

The board also adopted a resolution of intent to undertake the desal project and set March 8 for a public hearing for anyone wanting to protest it or the proposed financing of it. The resolution noted that the public would be asked to authorize the plan in the June 8 election.

Finally, the board authorized the staff to request proposals for the construction of the plant, saying that it would not go forward if voters did not approve. Responses to the requests for proposals would allow the district to decide whether the plant should be built and financed privately such

as the one in Santa Barbara or whether the district will sell certificates of participation to pay for it.

Hekhuis suggested that if the certificates are used, the district should look into paying them off in 15 years rather than 20, saying the savings could be significant.

Based on Inflow, Drought Is Over, Water District Reports

Based on the amount of water flowing into the Carmel River, the water management district declared the drought on the Central Coast is over.

Water Resources Manager Darby Fuerst told the board of directors Jan. 28 that 36,000-acre-feet of water flowed into the Carmel River from Jan. 1 through Jan. 21—more than in the years of 1988, 1989 and 1990 combined—as 17 straight days of rain fell in Carmel Valley.

For the water management district's official rain year, which begins Oct. 1, Fuerst estimated 43,000-acre-feet of water had flowed into the system, 220 percent of normal.

"Based on inflow, this marks the end of the drought, even without any more runoff this year," Fuerst said.

In contrast to inflow, the National Weather Service uses a different measure. By its definition, a drought is any two or more consecutive years in which less than median rainfall is received. By that definition, the Central Coast's drought ended last winter.

By the water management district's definition, the drought lasted seven years, a year longer than by the Weather Bureau's measure.

"January has been another monster month," Fuerst said in announcing stream-flow and rainfall figures. He compared it to March of 1991 and February of 1992, when record or near record rains helped replenish

the Carmel River aquifer.

Fuerst said the water management district's entire storage system was 94 percent full. In Carmel Valley, both San Clemente and Los Padres dams are the upper aquifer are full, and the lower aquifer is 95 percent full, he said.

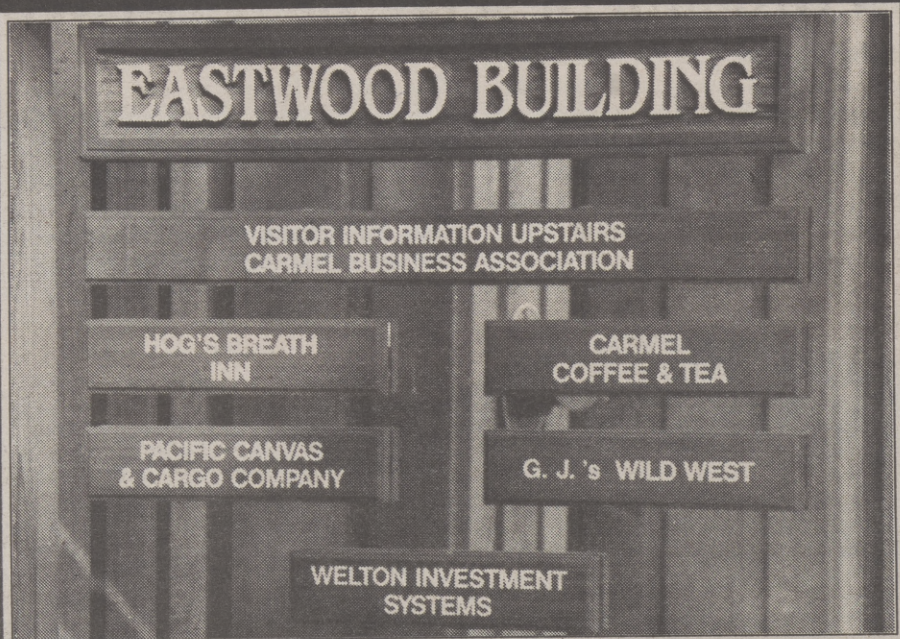
The Seaside coastal basin is filled to 80 percent of capacity, he added. Asked by Director Jim Hughes how long it would take to fill the Seaside basin, Fuerst said it needs 1,000-acre-feet to be full and recharges during wet weather at a rate of about 300-acre-feet a month.

Fuerst also reported that 127 adult steelhead had been counted going through the fish ladder at San Clemente Dam, 27 of them clearly fish that had been in the sea and returned to spawn. He said some of the other fish could have either grown to adulthood in the river or also have gone to sea.

"While the drought is officially over, it is important to emphasize the need to conserve," Fuerst said. "Come June, the inflow will be down."

Graham Matthews, official weather observer for Carmel Valley Village, said he had recorded 14.44 inches of rain in the rain year that begins July 1 under the National Weather Service's definition. Normal for Feb. 1, he said is 9.52.

For January, Fuerst said a gauge at San Clemente dam had recorded more than 12 inches compared to an average of 4 inches for the month.



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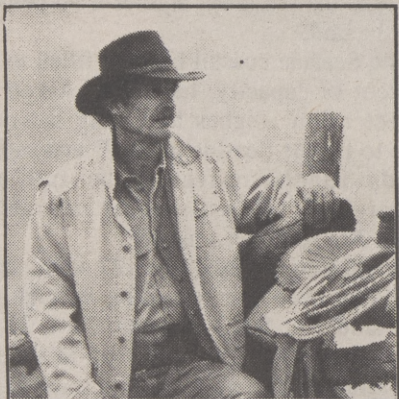
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SUPPORTERS GEORGE and Betty Whisler and Steve Brooks joined Supervisor Sam Karas Friday for his announcement that he will seek election from the new fifth district in the June 8 election, pitting him against fellow incumbent Karin Strasser Kauffman.
Sun photo by Stan Hall

Karas Challenges KSK

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After his official announcement, Karas told the Sun that he expected he and Strasser Kauffman, both eight year veterans of the board, would be pitted against each other whether the Justice Department approved the plan or not.

He explained that he understood that Federal Judge William Ingram of San Jose planned to impose a map proposed by the Hispanic group, La Raza, if the Justice Department rejects the county's latest map. It would also place Karas and Strasser Kauffman in the same new fifth district.

The La Raza map was drawn up by attorney Joaquin Avila and would cut Carmel Valley in half, but Karas said he believed that if Ingram did impose it, he would modify it enough to keep Carmel Valley intact.

"I have no choice but to run against Strasser Kauffman," he said.

Strasser Kauffman agreed that Ingram had indicated that he would impose the La Raza map if the Justice Department rejects the commission's plan. But she said she did not know whether he intended to modify it to unify Carmel Valley.

As the supervisor from the old fourth district, Karas has represented Monterey, Pacific Grove and part of Pebble Beach, which would now become part of the new fifth district. "I am pleased to add residents of Carmel, Carmel Valley, Cachagua and Big Sur, areas for which I have always demonstrated a strong concern," Karas said.

An acknowledged liberal, Karas also pledged in his announcement to fight for a better life for the poor, disadvantaged, elderly and homeless. As did Strasser Kauffman, he vowed he would protect the natural beauty of the area and said he would work for the implementation of the newly created Monterey Bay National Sanctuary.

"Having resided here for almost 50 years, I will not accept any attempt by anyone to destroy this lovely spot on earth," said Karas, a native of Chicago who first came to the peninsula in 1943 as an Army second lieutenant.

"I am concerned about future development in Carmel Valley and Cachagua and will review every project," he said. "I will

continue to insure that my office is open to everyone at all time."

Joining Karas for his announcement were his wife, Edie, and supporters Steve and Barbara Brooks, David Dilworth, and George and Betty Whisler, along with some of his staff personnel.

As for the supervisors' agonizing and unsuccessful attempt to draw new district boundaries, Karas said he had proposed legislation which would put future redistricting in the lap of a countywide advisory commission.

In answer to a question, he said the county had spent over \$300,000 on legal fees so far, and said that if legal challenges to the county's efforts by La Raza and Seaside were upheld, it could be liable for additional legal fees totaling \$1 million to \$1.5 million.

In the redistricting fight, Strasser Kauffman, after meeting privately with La Raza officials who had challenged the county's earlier maps, threw her weight behind a La Raza compromise plan which was rejected by a 2-1 margin by county voters in November.

Karas maintained that the entire controversy and cost could have been avoided if the board had accepted a map, known as C-12, which he initially championed. That map was supported by La Raza. Karas said it would have retained separate districts for Strasser Kauffman and himself.

Karas also cited his efforts on behalf of the county's Natividad Hospital and the reuse of Fort Ord.

A member of the Fort Ord reuse task force from the outset, Karas said, "I support as four year university campus there. It would be the catalyst for many vital projects to be considered. I also support a communitywide performing arts center there as well as an area for an 'artists in residence' program. Above this, I believe in the preservation of open space at Fort Ord."

Barker is a rancher and manager of the Monterey County Farm Bureau. "My background makes me uniquely qualified to bring the environmental, agricultural and business communities together for the common good of Monterey County," he said.

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Transportation Agency to Vote Feb. 24 on Freeway

By Carolyn Rice

The Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) will vote Feb. 24 whether to approve the controversial Hatton Canyon Freeway or an alternative project to relieve congestion on Highway 1 around Carmel.

At TAMC's Jan. 27 meeting, citizens testified both for and against the freeway's construction during a hearing that was sometimes noisy and included the singing of a few bars of *America the Beautiful* by one witness.

Bill Ojeda, Caltrans district director, later told *The Sun*, "We do not intend to spend our money on four-laning Highway 1, as it will not solve the problem." A letter from the California Transportation Commission (CTC) said Monterey County and Caltrans would have to agree on any alternative project. Ojeda said, "We do not agree to spend funds on any alternative project. Our position is 1-C modified (Caltrans redesigned Hatton Canyon Freeway) will solve the problem."

After TAMC votes, its recommendation will go to the CTC for consideration during its March 31-April 1 meeting, according to Gerry Gromko, executive director of TAMC and director of the County Public Works Department.

Gromko declined to predict the outcome. Freeway proponents said they thought they had the votes, but expressed concern that some of their supporters seemed to be wavering.

The state has \$42 million set aside for construction of the 2.8 mile freeway extension, and the CTC will decide in early 1994 which state projects to fund, Gromko said.

Gromko said TAMC's staff is reviewing past actions on the long-stalled freeway and numerous letters which have come in from the public.

"I don't know what TAMC will do, and I don't know at this point whether the staff will give a recommendation," he said. "I think we will."

TAMC is made up of 17 voting members representing the 12 cities within Monterey County and the five county supervisors. There are four non-voting members in addition—Caltrans, the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments, the Monterey Bay Air Pollution Control District and Monterey-Salinas Transit.

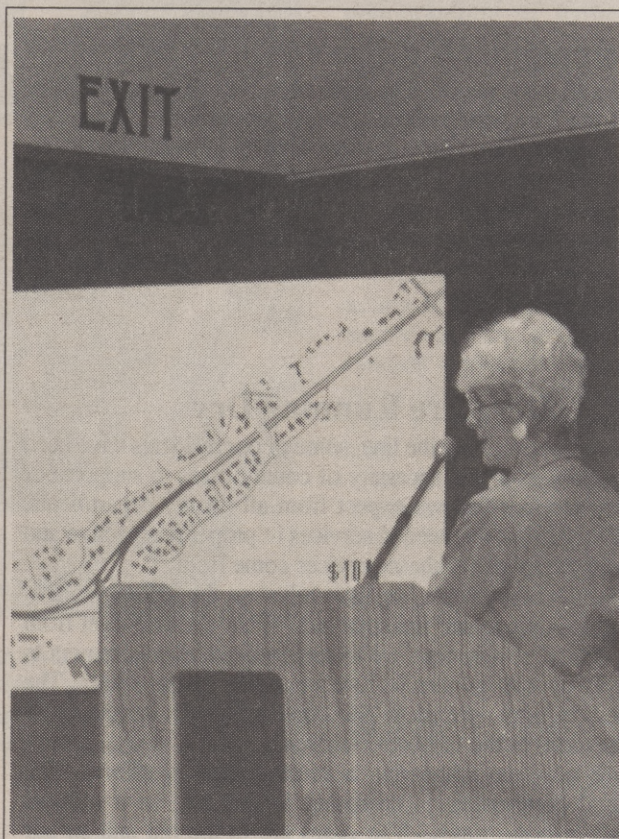
"You are being lied to and are killing people," Noel Mapstead, a Sierra Club member from Carmel, yelled at commission members. Chairwoman Barbara Shipnuck quickly warned him, "You are out of order."

"You can't kill people if you're not moving," responded Chuck Poland of Carmel. "At five to ten miles an hour, it's pretty hard to get killed." Poland said he would welcome a bulldozer the next morning to start building the freeway.

Mapstead and other environmentalists argued that if a less expensive project were approved, part of the \$42 million cost of the freeway should be used to improve Highway 101 near Prunedale where more fatalities occur. But Caltrans officials have said the county might lose the funding if it is switched to other projects.

Shipnuck said she would ask a representative from the CTC to come to the Feb. 24 meeting to answer questions on whether the funds could be transferred to other highway projects within the county.

Joyce Stevens, a member of the Hatton Canyon Coalition which seeks to block the freeway, showed the agency the coalition's alternatives to the freeway. They call for an underpass at the Carmel Valley Road and



JOYCE STEVENS TESTIFIED against building the Hatton Canyon Freeway at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County hearing on the freeway and alternative improvements for Highway 1 near Carmel.
Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

widening of Highway 1 on the present route.

Francis P. Lloyd, chairman of the coalition, said the group was left with the alternative of a lawsuit because the county would not consider alternative plans prepared by Wilbur P. Smith, an engineering company hired by the coalition.

The Hatton Canyon Coalition, the City of Carmel, the Monterey Regional Park and the Sierra Club have filed a suit on the adequacy of the environmental impact report on the freeway. The suit is scheduled to be heard in San Jose federal court Oct. 4.

Stevens said the Smith alternative would cost \$10 million, but Shipnuck said that seemed low to her.

Gregg Albright, Caltrans' coordinator for the Hatton Canyon freeway, said nearly as much money would go into the coalition's alternative as the freeway. "It would be an irresponsible use of public funds," he said. An alternative project would not provide long-term relief to Highway 1 traffic congestion up Carmel hill, according to Albright, who said that in the area of the proposed freeway, Highway 1 has the highest traffic volume of any two-lane road in California.

The Wilbur P. Smith alternative would provide spot relief, Albright said, but Rio Road and Ocean Avenue would still be weak links. "I don't think Caltrans could begin to make this thing work," he said.

He called the Smith study a "short, quick engineering study." Albright noted the Smith study itself concluded that the Hatton Canyon Freeway is the superior project.

"We agree with that statement," he said.

Joe Noto, a retired dentist from Carmel, broke into a few stanzas of *America the Beautiful* before he spoke. He said he was speaking on behalf of three granddaughters who will someday attend Carmel High School, arguing that widening the present road would increase air and noise pollution and traffic hazards for children coming and going to the high school.

"Caltrans has finally presented an acceptable design that satisfies the community and serves as a long-term solution to our traffic problems," said Noto in urging approval of the latest Caltrans design.

Cole Lester, who lives in Carmel Views, said vehicles going 20 miles per hour or less generate a "tremendous amount of carcinogens. I don't know what's so precious about the Hatton gully or ditch when we have 49,000 acres of open land surrounding it," Lester said.

Lois Starnes, representing Citizens for Hatton Canyon, had read a list of open acreage from Point Lobos out to Garland park in earlier testimony and said it totalled 49,774 acres. Starnes said Caltrans officials had told her it would be 20 years before the area would again qualify for project funding. Widening of Highway 1 could not achieve free flowing traffic, Starnes argued.

A representative of State Sen. Henry Mello read a letter from Mello urging the Hatton Canyon project as the highest priority. Caltrans has indicated it would not support a cheaper alternative, he said, and federal money would be withdrawn.

"Environmentalists in the Hatton Canyon Coalition ignore the environmental impact study conclusion that the freeway will dramatically reduce air pollution from cars and trucks, especially carbon monoxide," said Rod Holmgren of Carmel who urged construction of the freeway.

Holmgren said he has held almost every post in the Ventana Chapter of the Sierra Club and has worked with the organization on a regional, state and national level. He also questioned where money will come from for the lawsuit against the freeway "since it seems unlikely that taxpayers will stand for more funding by either the City of Carmel or the park district." Holmgren said \$35,000 has been pledged toward the suit and the suit will take at least another \$40,000.

A letter from Mary Ann Matthews of the California Native Plant Society said the organization has consistently opposed the freeway. There would be less opposition if it would really solve congestion, Matthews wrote, but it would only benefit the 17 percent that is through traffic and would complicate things for the 83 percent who turn off Highway 1 at Carmel or Carmel Valley.

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Comments Unpleasant, Incorrect?

I would like to correct Howard Nieman's intentionally unpleasant and incorrect comments about the activities at the First Murphy House. The annual fund-raising project, Christmas ornaments hand made by Murphy House volunteers, were sold at Derek Rayne, Ltd. and at Caspia Flowers and Fine Goods. These funds are for house-keeping and operating necessities, because the city does not provide funds to the First Murphy House.

Complimentary coffee and tea are offered to visitors as a courtesy. It is encouraged that workers in the city and locals who would like company bring their brown bag lunches to the House.

Mr. Nieman comments that "hundreds" have opposed this project, but we would like to offer him the fact that in three months, over 2,500 people, as tallied, have already availed themselves of and enjoyed this volunteer facility.

We suggest that Mr. Nieman find something less benign on which to vent his chronic dyspepsia.

Enid Sales
Carmel

The author is chairwoman of the First Murphy Management Committee.—The Ed.

Appreciates Road Work

During the recent heavy storms, the roads in our area of upper Carmel Valley suffered frequent damage, due in large part to mudslides. It is quite remarkable that many of us who encountered heavy road damage on our way to work in the morning, found the mudslides removed and the roads scraped clean upon our return the same evening.

Because these roads are little travelled by all but a handful of us, we think it is exceptional that such care is being given to them in such a timely manner, and we to thank those responsible. We want the crew of the County Roads Department to know their efforts do not go unnoticed.

Nanci Lambert, president
Cachagua Area Property Owner's Association

The letter was sent to Public Works Director Gerald Gromko and a copy sent to the Sun.—The Ed.

Complaints Misdirected?

To all those people who have been writing in complaining that the *Sun* wrote about what happened at a Carmel City Council meeting, I have a suggestion. Why don't you devote some of your energy complaining to the other papers that purport to cover this area but which only rarely ever report what goes on at important events around here?

Charlie Berry
Carmel

All Coffers Are Running Dry

Somewhere along the line, some of our residents have been led astray as to the necessity of county taxes to support our many services that we expect from all county departments. Let's try to put the needed services in proper perspective and where the funds for these services come from.

For too many years, we have relied on the federal government to come to our financial aid. What we didn't get from the federal government, we looked to the state government to supply us with monies to function with. Guess what? The cities, in turn, looked to the county for aid for the city's obligations to the respective citizens.

We now are witnessing a reverse domino effect. The federal government is drowning in red ink, so it reduces funding to the states. The states are in the red and so our brave legislators reduce funding for the counties, who in turn are forced to reduce spending for the cities.

Now, the cities can't go down the ladder any further and are stuck with hard decisions that involves laying off people, and reducing levels of service.

The point I want to make is that at the county level, property taxes are the mainstay of support for financing the various departments.

Let's recognize that when a house is sold, 1 percent is the value of property tax assessed on it. When people complain about the proposed San Carlos Ranch project and want to further reduce the proposed plan and cause further delays in implementing the program, they are simply reducing the amount of tax money the county and school district could rescue and sorely needs.

My only concern with the San Carlos Ranch Plan is that they have a secure, adequate water supply. Over the last 30 years, I shudder to think what might have been, and I'm grateful for the tremendous open space that has been preserved without public acquisition and not at public expense.

Dr. Joseph Noto
Carmel

Day Care Information Needed

As a concerned mother I am writing to share my feelings in hopes of gathering some support for the Sunshine Children's Center "mess."

I would like to see a parents' night or get-together of some sort with the new owner and staff to better acquaint us with the new way in which our day care is operating. There are some radical and some minor differences that need explanation.

I need reassurance that my babies are being nurtured lovingly in my absence, and that I haven't a care or concern in the world for their well-being.

Price is an issue. For some, pre-school is a choice and others, a need, and I understand that there is some flexibility.

I will be pushing for some type of informational get together, so start writing down your questions. We all need this to work. Let's make it happen.

Gabriela Buich
Carmel Valley

Rancho Plans Would Boost Economy

For the past several months, I have observed with interest the discussions concerning the proposal for Rancho San Carlos. As a neighbor of the proposed project, I am keenly concerned about its future.

I have been continually impressed with the thoughtful approach that the current owners are taking to the environment and to the expectations of the local community.

The rationale for their plan has been well articulated throughout the community except that the economic impact has not been analyzed in depth.

As the past superintendent of schools in the Carmel district, I am sensitive to the potential income that developments of this type will produce for local political subdivisions such as the school district and other local districts.

Although the exact impact cannot be assessed, it can be estimated that, if the project goes forward as planned, it could have the following positive impacts: Road impact fees, over \$2 million; property taxes would go up from the current \$800,000 a year to the neighborhood of \$7.5 million annually by completion of the plan; and \$35 million to \$50 million annually for approximately 10 years in construction. This will mean more than increased income for districts. It will also mean local jobs.

It seems to me that the Rancho San Carlos owners have said to the community that, in seeking a return for their investment, they want this project to become a part of our community in such a way that it is sensitive to our desires to be protective of the physical environment and provide a significant and sustained economic boost to the local economy.

The alternative to this project would be a hodge podge of individual efforts to develop the existing lots of record that would result in continual battles between the developers and contra minded individuals that would land us (the taxpayers as represented by our planning agencies) into a series of costly litigations. I am in favor of the current plan for the Rancho San Carlos

Robert Infelise
Carmel

Thanks to Commissioner Marit Evans

The Highlands/Bixby Advisory Committee would like to express its sincerest appreciation for the years of dedicated service you have given to the citizens of Monterey County.

Your performance as a planning commissioner has been outstanding.

You have constantly demonstrated your commitment in striving to uphold the land use plans of the various areas that your represent. Good planning and the protection of our natural resources in every section of the county is of vital importance.

It is not always an easy task to take a firm stand on crucial issues, but you have shown us your long-standing concern for fair treatment and protective measures in order to retain as much of our treasured resources as possible.

Also, you have always been available to answer our questions, and you have given generously of your time and expertise. We offer our thanks and admiration for 13 years of a job well done. Best wishes in your much deserved retirement years.

Barbara Rainer, chairman
For the Highlands/Bixby Advisory Committee

The letter was written to Marit Evans, who resigned from the County Planning Commission, and a copy sent to the Sun.—The Ed.

Enough T-Shirt Shops Already

Replacing the Strawberry Patch—a children's clothing store—is yet one more T-shirt shop. This makes a total of three such shops in one block on the north side of Ocean Avenue between Mission and San Carlos.

Moreover, there are several other similar shops in this general area, along with row after row of art galleries on almost every street in the business district.

It seems that diversity in our once-inviting town is fast disappearing, a testament to poor planning and business pressures. Ocean Avenue is becoming a haven for souvenir day-trippers, here for a quick run through the business section before their bus leaves within the hour.

A recent travel article in the *New York Times* recommended that tourists stay away from Carmel and Cannery Row, but go instead to places like Pacific Grove, which still have a quiet charm. Let's stop and study our predicament. Many helpful suggestions are put forward in the Carmel 2016 Report as well as in the Carmel training session recently conducted by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Perhaps with some give-and-take in a common effort we can still keep one of the most beautiful and unique towns in the nation preserved for present and future Carmel lovers. Support a revision of the General Plan.

Peggy Jorgensen
Carmel

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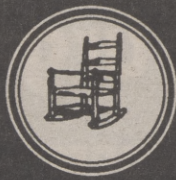


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STELLA BIASON, who donated the First Murphy House to the city, was honored last October by Mayor Ken White when the renovated home built by master builder M. J. Murphy in 1907 was dedicated. Tuesday night, the City Council refused to allow her to put an artist's studio and gallery in a building where First Murphy once stood before being moved. *Sun file photo*

Murphy House Donor Rejected

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was not about allowing an art gallery but about changing the use permit.

"It smacks to me of intensification of use," Livingston said. "Just because they're nice people and have trouble renting has nothing to do with this use permit. We're not here to see that they maximize their profits. We're here to preserve the residential character of the town."

"I resent that we have reclassified local artists as visitor-serving," said Councilwoman Bob Fischer who made a motion to grant the appeal. "This is why I force the appeal. This cannot be allowed to stand."

But White reminded him that "art galleries are one of those businesses that we are instructed to control and reduce" under the General Plan.

"Broker art galleries are visitor-serving. Isn't an artist gallery resident serving?" Fischer asked. "These are artisans working that we want to keep in Carmel."

"We've gotten into an emotional thing," White said. "I support art galleries where a local artist is in the building. I'm not sure we can come out of this with that today."

Brown said he first proposed to rent the space in July and had been trying ever since to have an art gallery with his studio in the 1,000-square foot building that the Biasons erected after donating the Murphy cottage to the city. Totally remodeled by volunteers,

it has since become the anchor of First Murphy Park at Lincoln and Sixth Avenue. Mrs. Biason was honored for her donation at a ceremony Oct. 31, and a plaque noting her gift now adorns the house.

"She's losing money. I'm losing money," Brown said.

John Biason said that after helping to resolve saving the Murphy House in the best interests of the community, his family was "trying to bring revenue to the city. This will only generate more revenue when there's a great number of vacancies in town. The long-standing character of Carmel has been artists. This is a world renowned artists' colony."

"The property has intensified from one shop to three shops," Brooks pointed out. "We need to uphold the General Plan. They signed the use permit."

"They're not renting the space out," said Councilwoman Phil Coniglio who backed Fischer's motion. "If I was in the retail business, I wouldn't want it tucked back in a courtyard."

Brown said he would go back to the Planning Commission with a revised application for a studio and school where he would teach art.

Planning Chair Jack Kennedy, who was in the audience, said later, "I think we should take a look at art galleries. That's what this town is all about." (See related story on page 14.)

Water Pact Okayed Despite Seaside, Marina Fears

Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District approved a memorandum of agreement with other county water agencies despite objections by Marina and Seaside officials that it could be used to deny them water to develop parts of Fort Ord.

The vote was unanimous to join the Monterey County Water Resources Agency and The Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency is signing the agreement.

Deputy County Counsel William Rentz, acting as counsel for the county water resources agency, told the board the memorandum would not change the rights to any water in the Fort Ord area. It simply provides for the three agencies to cooperate, he said.

However, Narayan Thandani, Seaside's utility engineer, said the city and its mayor, Lance McClair, were concerned about the memorandum. As McClair has argued before in disputes with the water management district, Thandani said Seaside wanted the

responsibility for providing water for Seaside.

Both McClair and Marine Mayor Edith Johnson have complained that the memorandum could be used to deny their cities water needed to develop portions of Fort Ord after the Army leaves.

As part of its continuing dispute with the water management district, Seaside has held up the use of the new Paralta well which was drilled into the Seaside groundwater basin by Cal-Am Water Co.

Larry Foy, Cal-Am general Manager, told the water board meeting Thursday night he expected to have a preliminary report on a new way of dealing with the hydrogen sulfide smell in water from the Paralta well.

If the well does come on stream, it is expected to produce about 1,000-acre-feet of water a year, allowing the lifting of the water management district's building moratorium which is now in its third year.

New Labor Contract Approved for Police

After months of negotiations, the Carmel Police Officers Association (CPOA) agreed to a new wage contract for fiscal year 1992-93 with no salary or cost of living increases.

The agreement, approved as a consent calendar item without discussion by the City Council Tuesday, was the last contract to be settled for the city's 94 employees whose salaries and benefits cost \$5,351,155 annually.

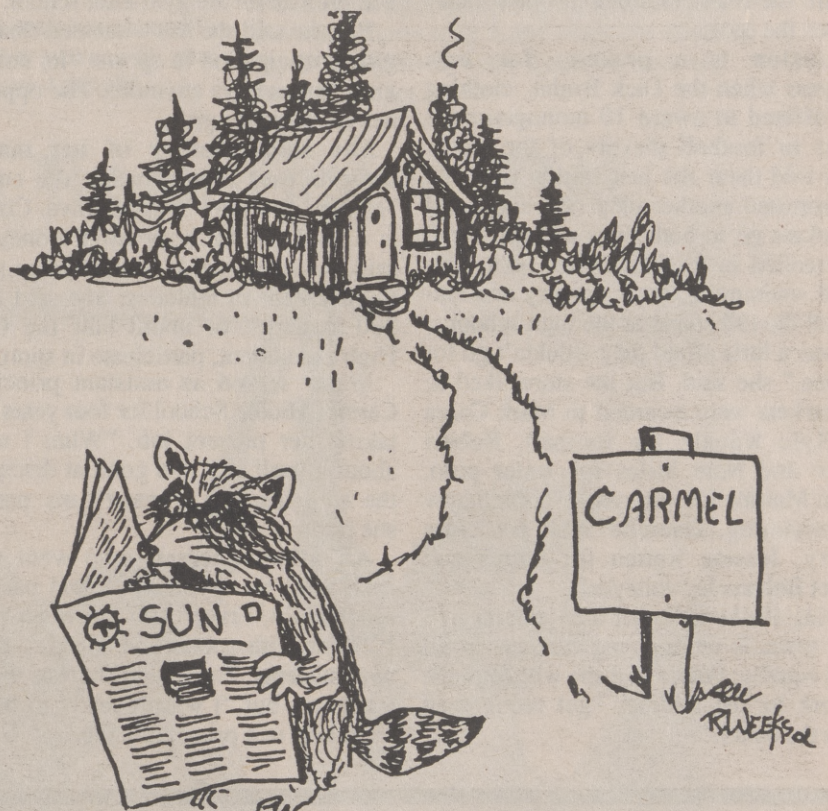
In the Memorandum of Understanding with the police, it was noted that many Carmel police salaries are underpaid in comparison with surrounding municipalities on the peninsula. The disparity is recognized in all the employee agreements along with a statement that it is the city's intent to bring the salary/benefits levels

equal when it is economically feasible.

Carmel had to make its first layoffs in history last year in order to balance a tight budget. Personnel Officer Jerry Pullen noted in a report to the council that the police agreement was the "the result of many hours of frank and open, and at times difficult, discussions with the negotiators for the CPOA."

Agreements were negotiated with the General Employees Union, the Firefighters Association and the Management Association early in December. Pullen said the primary financial impact was an 11.5 percent increase in the funding levels of the Health Protection Plan which was approved in the September budget. The total amount budgeted for employee health insurance was \$560,419 a year.

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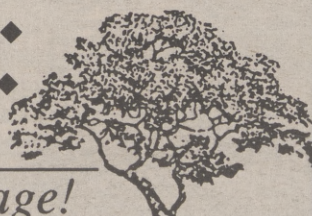
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Indian Descendent Shares Her Heritage with Students

By Carolyn Rice

Linda Yamane, 43, of Gilroy has traced her great, great, great grandmother—and she is not exactly sure how many greats without looking at her family tree—back to a Rumsen Indian village in Carmel Valley.

Her ancestor was a Rumsen Indian who lived in the village of Tucutnut where Quail Lodge now stands, Yamane said. About eight years ago, Yamane became interested in trying to find out what she could about her Indian ancestors, and she recently told children in several Tularcitos classrooms what she has learned. Yamane has specialized in Indian education and has taught in a number of schools, she said.

It is very hard to find out about her heritage, she told Ethyl Radowicz's fourth grade students. "It couldn't just go to the library. I had to look in strange hard-to-find places."

Yamane later told *The Sun* she traced her genealogy back to her Rumsen ancestor, Margarita, through Carmel Mission records which are on microfilm at a Latter Day Saints Library in Seaside.

She said she learned Margarita was the 31st person baptized by the mission, Father Crespi baptizing her at the village in 1773 when she was very ill. Indians were usually baptised at the mission, Yamane said. Margarita recovered from her illness was baptized again several months later at the mission. She went on to marry a Spanish soldier, Yamane said.

Yamane said her family genealogy work was done by her family around 1928 during the time of Indian land claims. She always knew she was the descendent of an Indian,



LINDA YAMANE, A RUMSEN INDIAN EDUCATOR, told Indian stories in Ethyl Radowicz's fourth grade classroom at Tularcitos. Olivier Griss, left, was Coyote and Zahava Abend, right, played the part of Fox for one of her stories.

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but it wasn't until about eight years ago that she saw the birth certificate.

A lot of Indian traditions have been lost or hidden away, Yamane told the fourth graders. In her grandmother's time, "It wasn't very neat to be an Indian. People were ashamed."

Yamane said she does not look like a

Rumsen Indian as her family married Spanish and Portuguese people.

Yamane has used John P. Harrington's research on the Rumsens. Harrington came to the area in the mid 30s and 40s, she said, and talked with Isabelle Meadows, a Rumsen Indian. His research is now housed at the Smithsonian and on microfilm at San

Jose State where Yamane has studied it.

At the Tularcitos fourth grade class, she offered the children some Indian food—cider from manzanita berries, Yerba Buena tea and bay nuts in honey.

The cider had a mild, slightly fruity taste while the tea had a minty flavor. The bay nuts which had been roasted tasted strong.

Yamane said she has been able to learn some Rumsen words from her research. She also has been learning some songs, she said.

Yamane taught the students how to pound and grind acorns with a mortar and pestle. She also told them how they are leached and cooked. Different types of acorns have different flavors, Yamane said. Acorn mush can be tasty, but if all the tannic acid isn't leached out, it's bad, she said.

The Manzanita cider is made by mashing berries and pouring hot water through the pulp a number of times until it gets a good flavor, Yamane said. The Indians used this cider throughout California, Yamane said.

They evidently did not use fermented beverages, she said, citing the padres' reply to a question from Spain about its use. The 27 fourth graders in Radowicz's class wrote thank you letters to Yamane. Justin Callinan said, "I like all the food and all the games. I also liked making acorn flour. I like the fact that you came. Thank You a lot. I will try to make acorn mush."

Yamane also spoke to fourth grade classes taught by Patty Armstrong and Mary Padilla.

Carmel High's First Woman Director Wants Equal Sports Emphasis

By Carolyn Rice

Lisa Fraser, named the first woman athletic director last fall at Carmel High School, is working to achieve equal emphasis on all sports as one of her major goals.

The cheerful 34-year-old organizes game schedules and transportation for the athletes. She manages the sports budget, making sure the finances are distributed fairly between the sports.

Inclusion is a priority for her. This year when the Dick Bruhn clothing store offered to award 10 monogrammed jackets to football players of the week, Fraser told them she just couldn't do that and proposed another idea. She suggested the jackets go to both boys and girls who had excelled in football, water polo, volleyball, swimming, cross country and tennis—all the fall sports at the high school.

"I was a little afraid they wouldn't go for the idea," she said. But the store liked it, and jackets were awarded to Mark Garza and Kyle Koontz for football, Robert Allaire and Nate Stiles for water polo, Megan Martine for volleyball, Tisha Satow for swimming, Danielle Wall for cross country, Jessica Kattan for tennis and Bridget Bohnen for volleyball.

Saying she hoped other area schools will move towards recognizing students in all sports equally, Fraser said she will continue to work to see athletes "get recognized across the board."

"They all put in the same amount of time and work," said Fraser, noting the school's fall athletic banquet also included players from all the school's teams.

Fraser recalled her high school days when all sports were not equal. She said she would arise at 6 a.m. to go the school gym for girls basketball practice prior to the beginning of classes because the boys' team had priority on the gym after school.

But she said she has witnessed changes in girls participation in sports. "It's not about girls versus boys anymore. The opportunities are there for girls."

She said another of her main responsibilities is supporting the coaches, "so they don't get bogged down. Coaching is a hard job for very little money," she said. Another goal is to encourage student involvement in athletics. She said around 300 students, or about half the Carmel High enrollment, participate in sports.

Fraser served as assistant principal at Carmel Middle School for four years before taking her present job. "What I noticed about myself is I was good at disciplining the students, but it wasn't my passion," she said.

An athlete herself who went to San Jose State on a volleyball and basketball scholarship, Fraser said her main interest still lies with sports and working directly with students. Fraser said she was ready for a change, but "I wasn't ready to be away from kids in a principal's job."

Fraser said she believes athletics are the single most positive element that can affect school climate. Noting that many schools have had to cut back in their sports offerings, she said, "We're lucky. We're one of the few schools that has been able to maintain its program."

She works closely with the Booster Club, a group of parents and other supporters. Without its hefty contributions, Carmel High's sports program would not be able to continue as it has, she said.

The club averages \$25,000 in fund raising a year. With the money raised by volunteers who worked at the U.S. Open, Fraser said the group is already above that amount this year.

Headed by Jim Kistenmacher this year, the Boosters have sold calamari at football games and community events and raised money selling visors and bleacher cushions and program advertising to local businesses.

Fraser noted the girls swim team won its league championship this fall, the water polo team took second place in the league and Wall competed in cross country at a state meet.

Now, winter sports are underway—girls and boys basketball, coed soccer, girls field hockey and boys wrestling. Each team has between 20 and 24 contests each, Fraser said.

Baseball will start Feb. 1 along with girls softball, coed track, boys tennis, boys



LISA FRASER

swimming and diving and golf.

Fraser said she wants to maintain high levels of sportsmanship at events, citing a current trend for violence by athletes and crowds at professional sports events.

"Some things like that filter down," she said. But she wants Carmel High students not to heckle officials or to make derogatory comments to other players. Fraser said she plans to take proactive measures with the student council and coaches throughout the league.

She would like to see the league give an award each year to the school which exhibits the best sportsmanship, she said. "It's not just our league," she said. "It's a problem in high school athletics period," she said.

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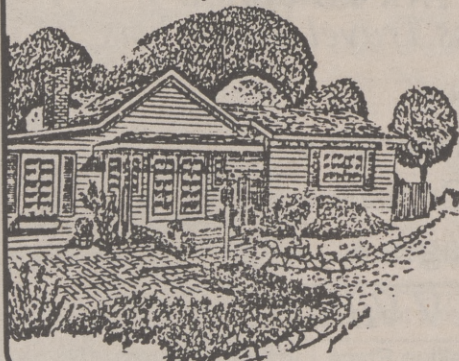
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Students with Learning Problems Receive Help at Chartwell School

By Carolyn Rice

Children hampered by a learning disability usually are unhappy. They've been told they're lazy, dumb or just not trying hard enough.

"We explain they are not stupid, but they have a handicap they have to overcome," said Jim Flippen, a retired pediatric cardiologist who lives in Carmel Valley. Flippen, who has served as president of the board of trustees of Chartwell School for three years, said, "We feel we are doing a lot of good and getting good results."

Chartwell School in Seaside works with the dyslexic students with the goal of getting them back into regular classes. The school has heard back from several students who have been named to the honor roll when they returned to regular schools. Beaming with pride, Chris Harris, school director, said, "These kids had always been failures."

Children with learning disabilities often have average or even above average intelligence, said Harris, who has directed the school for four years. "But they can not decipher printed words."

Flippen noted that recent research has shown the brains of dyslexics are physically different from those of other people. But they can learn to compensate for their disabilities, he said.

Tremendous psychological ramifications stem from not being able to read, write or spell, Harris said. If there is no intervention, people with learning disabilities become highly prone to drug abuse or to dropping out of school, he said.

A number of prominent people with learning disabilities have succeeded, Flippen said, naming Albert Einstein, Whoopi Goldberg, Cher and Winston Churchill. Churchill's home, Chartwell, provided the name for the local school.

But on the other hand, Flippen said, a number of people with the problem end up prison and on the street.

Chartwell school has students who commute from as far away as South San Jose, Hollister and King City. Some children stay with grandparents or relatives who live on the peninsula so they can attend the school. Six pupils live in Carmel or Carmel Valley, according to Harris.

Tuition is \$8,900 per student. About one-third of them receive some aid. Harris said the school will award scholarships for up to 50 percent of tuition, but parents are

expected to pay at least one-half the cost. The true cost for each student is \$11,000 a year.

The 12-member board raises funds and relies on some "tremendously supportive benefactors" to make up the difference, Harris said. "What this board has done is no small feat," Harris said. The money it raises cover 20 percent of the school's expenses, he said.

Seven children are funded by local school districts, he said.

The school was started in a residence 10 years ago by parents of dyslexic students. Called the Thomas Allen School, it opened its doors with five students. Today it has grown to 72 students who range in age from 7 to 14. It now has 15 staff members.

Harris said incoming students are placed in classes of no more than nine students. "The first goal is to dispel the myth they are dumb or crazy," he said. "We can't just tell them." The quickest way the school has found to do it is with active participation and success in an academic program, Harris said. "After three or four months, they become convinced they can learn," he said.

Flippen practiced medicine for 35 years and was at Stanford Hospital in Palo Alto for 20 years. At the outset of his career, he treated many children who had heart problems due to rheumatic fever. With the invention of penicillin, strep throat which led to rheumatic fever could be treated and the incidence of rheumatic fever went down.

Flippen went on to work with children who had congenital heart defects, he said. He also was an advisor to a school for autistic children. He had never worked with children who had learning disabilities before becoming involved with Chartwell. "I have learned a lot," he said. Harris said Flippen's medical knowledge has been an invaluable asset to the school.

Flippen said the board is now moving from a hands-on role at the school to a policy making one. When the school was being established, board members were involved in day to day decisions which are now being made by staff, he said.

Harris said most students attend the school for two to three years and then go back to public or private schools.

"A lot of kids come in the fifth grade," Flippen said. "They should be picked up earlier than that."

Harris noted that in the early grades, it's sometimes hard to determine whether stu-



JIM FLIPPEN AND CHRIS HARRIS visit a class at Chartwell School in Seaside which serves Central Coast students who have learning disabilities.

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dents have learning disabilities or are having trouble with school work simply because they haven't matured.

"There is a tremendous difference in what individual children can do at different ages," Flippen said.

The reason Chartwell has grown is that it has succeeded in catching children up academically and sending them back to regular schools.

Harris said recent federal emphasis in education has been to mainstream children with learning disabilities. But in his experience, dyslexic children are happy to have some of the pressures of classroom competition taken off of them and have no desire to be back in the regular schools.

Chartwell teachers help the students understand their disabilities and also to identify their strengths, Harris said.

The students have some exceptional abilities, Harris noted. One junior high student was able to pick up a piano accompaniment to an unfamiliar tune after hearing three initial bars. An 11 year old repaired his neighbor's lawn mower without referring to the maintenance manual. Another student created wonderful adventures for a cartoon character.

"Why wouldn't a kid want to succeed?" Harris questioned. "We start with the premise that a kid wants to do well."

As the children prepare to go back to their regular classes, Harris said they are put in larger classes of 18 students and given more written work and assignments to carry out independently. But their work is carefully monitored, he said.

The school lowers the written work load and uses hands-on learning methods, Harris said.

Students are also taught how to communicate back to the teacher what they have learned, Flippen said.

Flippen said he believes most students with learning disabilities have to learn to work harder. "But they learn that working harder works for them," he said.

The school has monthly meetings for parents to teach them how to be an advocate for their child without becoming confrontational or doing their child's work, Harris said.

One of the first thing the school does is to make homework the child's responsibility, Harris said. If the child can not do the assignment, the parent writes a note on it, and the student will receive another assignment he can do. Homework issues have often become a battleground in families which have dyslexic children, but parents have told Harris their home situations have improved markedly once the homework issue has been removed.

Carmel Boys Topple Alisal; Girls Move into Tie for First in MTAL

Behind R. J. Powell's 34-point scoring, the Carmel High boys basketball team knocked off undefeated Alisal High in league play 76-59, while the Carmel girls moved into a three-way tie for first place with a 72-34 victory over the Trojans Tuesday night.

The Carmel boys boosted their Mission Trail Athletic League (MTAL) record to 5-2 as Alisal dropped to 7-1, and qualified the Padres for sectional playoffs. The Carmel girls are 7-2 in league play, tied with King City and Notre Dame.

The final score in the boy's home game belied the nip and tuck struggle between the Trojans and the Padres that lasted almost down to the buzzer.

Carmel Coach Rich Frank said he looked at Assistant Coach Ron Powell—R. J.'s father—with about 34 seconds left in the game and asked, "There's no way they can beat us now, is there?"

The Padres jumped off to a 10-2 lead but Alisal quickly got back in the game and led the Padres by four or five points throughout much of it.

Steady teamwork kept the Padres in the game along with Powell's career high scoring. Frank said Powell scored 31 points against Pacific Grove last year, but he believed the 34 points against the Trojans was a career high for him.

With four minutes left in the game, the Padres' Dean Wilson hit from the outside for three points to knot the score at 54-54,

and from there on, Carmel iced the victory from the free throw line.

Powell finished the game with a crowd-pleasing slam dunk, hanging on the rim as Carmel High students swarmed onto the court, engulfing him at the final buzzer.

Three other Padres scored in the double-digits. Jason Lindgren scored 14, Nate Stiles added 12 and Wilson 11. Wilson came off the bench for Ryan Edwards who is still out with mononucleosis and played his best game of the season, Frank said.

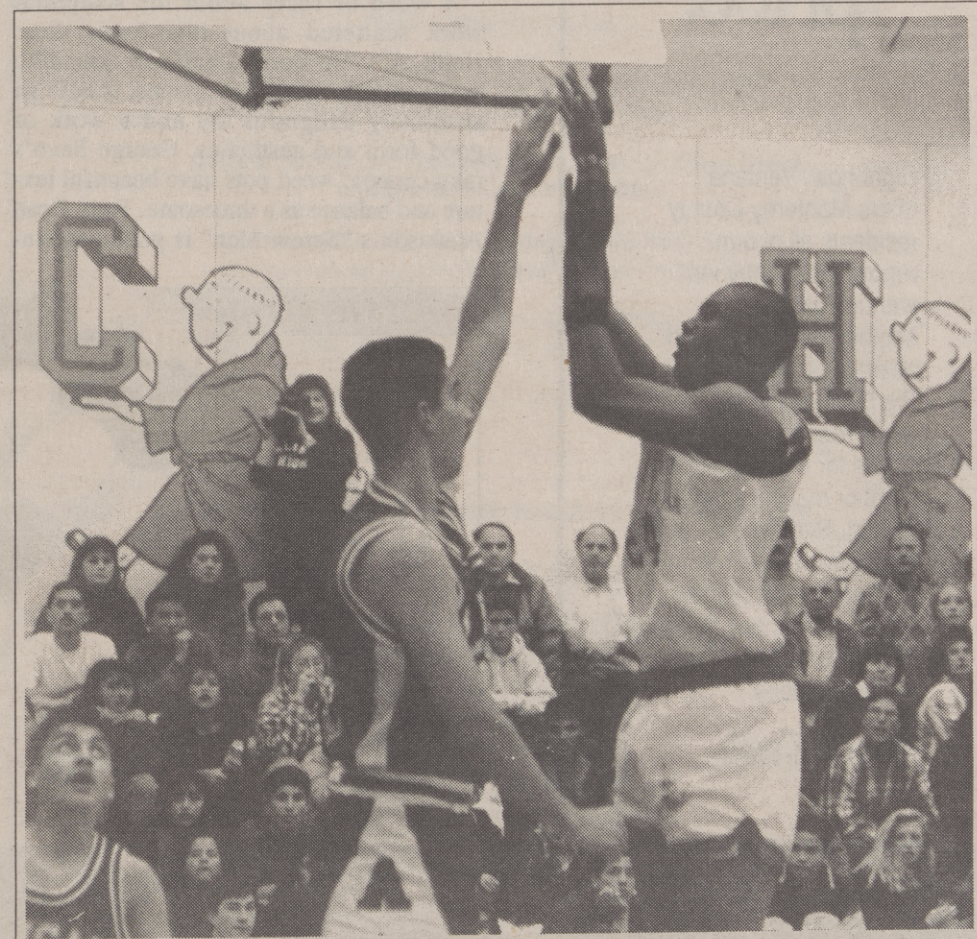
Frank said the team has now qualified for the sectional playoffs. "We just have to take care of business and take care of ourselves." Edwards is working out lightly with the team but won't be back for the Gonzales game Friday night, Frank said. And Ben Fahrer is playing with an injured hand. Frank said he hopes the team will be in good physical shape by the playoffs.

The Alisal junior varsity beat Carmel 58-53 and the Trojan freshmen beat the Padres 63-51.

In the girls game, Jenn Rosenthal and Doreen Evans scored 13 each and Megan Martine added 11. The Padres girls will play at home Friday night against Gonzales.

On Friday night, the Carmel girls beat Santa Catalina 43-29 in MTAL play.

In addition to their games against Gonzales Friday, the Carmel girls play Notre Dame Feb. 9 while the boys take on Palma at home.



R.J. POWELL GOES UP FOR TWO during his career high point game against Alisal Tuesday night. Powell scored 34 for the Padres in the 76-59 win over the Trojans who suffered their first league defeat.

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BRUSHSTROKES

By Anita DeCarlo

The Monterey Peninsula Art Fair at the Pacific Grove Art Center this year is dedicated to local artist-who-made good, Joan Savo, whose death a few months ago creates a void in our contemporary art. As if cued by her concentration on figural painting, the strongest paintings in this show are also figural.

Her painting entitled "Gypsy Dancer" is centered on the back wall of the Gill Gallery, and all the paintings in this room revolve around it and render the figure in as many ways as there are artists represented. It is a well put together room.

To my mind "Gypsy Dancer" is the most memorable work of Savo's. The paint is luscious to the point of being palpable. It is also the most clearly representative of her work that I have seen. We are not distracted from the presence of the dancer by abstractions of form or violence of color, her trademark work. Instead, the colors are impressionistic, clear and clean, and the form lucid, light and mobile, an Arabesque of motion. It calls to mind Joaquin Sarolla, a Spanish artist who painted a while in California, a favorite of a few but unknown to most.

The rest of the paintings in this room range in style from precise representation to abstract, coldly calculated to the realm of the dark. There is also a wide range in talent, or success, what have you. I first re-

marked on Renee McClue's oil "Shadows and Smoke" when it appeared last year in the Cherry Foundation Dream show. It is well thought out and executed surrealism. Underlying design supports carefully rendered figures of babies ascending a ladder through smoke. The babies are not cute and cuddly, but rubber dollish; the image is disturbing. Perhaps it is meant to be.

Lana Price's three watercolors grouped together are lovely watercolor technique at its purest, illustrative realism that depends on good design, subtly colored and tender. I think "Renee" is the most remarkable of the three.

Others of the more outstanding among the figure work are more loosely defined and suggestive. Charlotte Bjornsson's charcoal and pastel "Girl Putting on Socks" is a moody drawing of caressed shapes and subtle tones. Jane Hoppin's "Untitled" watercolor is somehow both sketchy and juicy, linear work given body and breath with impulsive color.

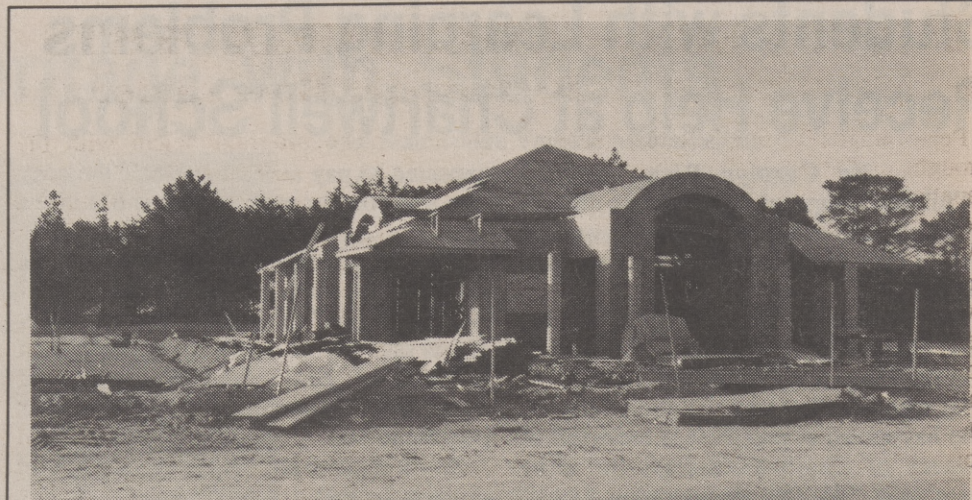
"Spanish Gypsy Family" by Janet De La Roche is a small Cezanne-like perfect puzzle piecing of red and greys, a beautiful painting only incidentally people.

"Cloud Kimono" by Julie Smith is far afield from other work of hers I've seen and definitely the direction she should continue on. It is strong design and strong picture making.

And Dick Crispo. Yes, "Dark Thoughts" is disturbing. It is meant to be. There is an enormous talent at work here and a contemporary vision of substance. This is a powerful statement that is well in control of aesthetics. I liked Crispo's piece in last year's show, and I like this one. Crispo doesn't quibble around. He has something to say, and he says it in visual images based on skillful use of the paint and command of color and form.

Before I leave this room and figures and without getting too lengthy, I have to remark on the high quality of drawing exhibited here. The line by itself is intrinsically individual, an extension of the artist. Isabel True's crisp decorative line recalls Matisse—but is True. Betty Orrett's "Ladies of Morocco" has a fluid line that becomes space. Eric Hitchcock's bold forceful line recalls Picasso but the distortions are Hitchcock's. Robert Huit's charcoals are out of the old school of discipline, Geri Lu Jury's out of art nouveau but married to the Dark. Bjornsson's "Dancer" begins with Degas-like grace and is reworked and redrawn using ghosts, designing the rectangle. Nina McGiveran's line is chunky spontaneity and solid form.

A word or three about the sculptural work scattered about this room: Inge Heidrick's "Armored One," an armadillo made entirely of orphan spoons, is both an absolutely delightful toy and a work of good form and aesthetics. George Savo's raku ceramic weed pots have beautiful texture and balance as a threesome. Terry Dean Adskison's "Screw Man" is good contem-



CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW tennis clubhouse at Pebble Beach was delayed when soil under it was found unacceptable and had to be replaced. The clubhouse will not be opened in time for the AT&T Pro-Am.

Feb. 12 Movies Will Benefit Cachagua Community Center

The Cachagua Area Property Owner's Association (CAPOA) will sponsor "Friday Night at the Movies" Feb. 12 at the Cachagua Fire Station in the first of what organizers hope will be a series of fundraisers for the Cachagua Community Park. The first cartoon starts at 6:30 p.m.

Nanci Lambert, president of CAPOA, said the \$2 admission for adults and \$1 for children would entitle them to see cartoons and a feature film—a family picture which will be announced later.

"Everything we raise will go to provide operating money for the Community Center and park," Lambert said. "People are using these facilities, but it is a real struggle to find operating money." She said the cost of providing liability insurance for the facilities was particularly difficult.

"Maybe the movies can become a regular thing, bimonthly maybe," Lambert said. "We need to do what we can to help support these important community facilities."

porary vision and precision work.

There are only a few pieces in the Hall Gallery and the Dyke Gallery that I found remarkable: McClue's abstract "Passage," Betty Peckinpah's abstract "Sea Storms" and Renee Eaton's watercolor abstract, "Let Land Appear." These are three artists who have come to terms with shape, color and space without the logistic references of identifiable.

And lastly, a couple of landscapes that bear mentioning: Philip Thorngate's "Gibson Beach" but not his "Carmel Beach." "Carmel Beach," like most of his work, is strictly content oriented. "Gibson Beach" becomes shape and form and design. Johnny Apodaca's "End of Continent" but not his two smaller ones for the same reasons. And Jay Hannah's "Summer Landscape" a tour de force in the subtlety of color.

More Broker Art Galleries Are Not Welcome

The majority of the Planning Commission made it eminently clear Wednesday that more broker-operated art galleries that carry an array of fine arts are not wanted in Carmel, a seaside village founded as an art colony.

The commission voted to allow one woman to operate a combination studio and gallery and carry only 20 percent of other art works. It refused to do the same for another woman seeking a use permit for her work and that of other artists in a 288-square foot gallery.

Commissioner Carl Livingston, Jr., raised the lone voice in defense of portrait artist Catherine Warnis who sought a use permit for an art gallery in The Mall on the east side of San Carlos between 5th and 6th.

"It would be unfair to turn down a 300 square foot gallery," he said, moving for approval. His motion died for lack of a second.

When Warnis explained that her portraits are taken away by the people who pay to have them painted, and she needed other works to put on the walls, Chairman Jack Kennedy said, "It's too open-ended. I suggest you work with the staff. We're not trying to be mean. We're just trying to protect the city."

"I'm running a business," Warnis told him. "I'm not doing this just for fun."

When she asked Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth how the percentage of artist-owner work was measured, he said there were no set standards. "If you walk in and don't get a fixed impression that it's a unified gallery with a smattering of other works then it doesn't meet the intent."

A motion to continue the request to Feb. 10 passed 5-1.

Artist Ann Cunningham's request for a studio-gallery in Su Vecino Court on the west side of Dolores Between Fifth and Sixth Avenues was approved 5-1 with a restriction that 80 percent of the work had to be hers in the 550-square foot gallery.

"The community's looking to this commission to put a cap on certain types of business," said Lindsay Hanna, the lone dissenter. "It's the kind of art gallery we ought to have if we were going to have more but I think we have enough art galleries."

Kennedy, who until recently managed a broker gallery, said 10 years ago Carmel had about 75 art galleries and today it has 70 or fewer. He said he would rather see a unique artist studio gallery than more shops selling T-shirts or shoes.

"We have discussed encouraging local artists with studios," Congleton said. "It follows the long-time tradition that this is an artists colony. Because there's a 20 percent limit, I favor it. Otherwise I would side with Commissioner Hanna. I don't want any more broker galleries in town."



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DISCOVERY — THE LIVELY ARTS

By Barbara Rose Shuler

Performance Carmel's latest offering brought us "The Bobs" an avant garde a capella quartet reminiscent of last year's treat, "The Edlos" and Bobby McFerrin's "Voisestra." What a package! The Bobs drew a full house to the Sunset Auditorium two Saturdays ago, entertaining with two very full sets of an amazing mix of music, sounds, interpretation, and virtuosity. Indeed, they are hard to describe. Their own literature gives ten lines of what they are not:

"They're not classical.
They're not punk.
They're not jazz.
They're not folk.
They don't play instruments"

The Bobs, however you want to describe them, ride the success wagon. They have appeared at Lincoln Center, The Tonight Show, NPR, PBS, The Smothers Brothers Show, the Chicago Lyric Opera and on many international stages. They are humble folks, making such statements about themselves as, "Without the Bobs, life as we know it would cease altogether and we would be plunged into unimaginable darkness." Well, not quite, guys. They are splendidly unique though, a four part vocal blockbuster that will leave your head spinning if you aren't careful.

I grew up with a brother who was one of those masters of the art of mouth noise. You know, explosions, anti-aircraft sounds, animal calls, engines of all sorts, musical instruments, televisions shows and the like. I remember trying to recreate some of his masterpieces of mimicry myself and failing stupidly. My bombs were laughable, my machines pathetic. Eventually, I developed a modest ear for languages but was never able to achieve my brother's remarkable command of the repertoire. To this day he possesses this skill and often entertains with it. I suspect that all four of the Bobs were gifted like brother when they were young, probably to the amazement of their parents and siblings

The Bobs developed their craft far beyond my brother's level to a mastery that surely crowns the genre. They literally recreate a band with their mouths and sing a capella in an astonishing variety of styles. They also possess a wacky, comedic flair which bubbles throughout. The group writes much of its own material which they interweave with unconventional renderings of contemporary classics.

Elements of rock, doo-wop, rap, jazz scat singing, soul, country, folk, and friendly mutations of world music such as Scottish bagpipes and Indian sitar enter into The Bobs' vocal kaleidoscope—a 4th of July for

the ears. The program began with the Lenon/Mcartney hit "Try to See it My Way" exploding with the startling talents of Richard Bob Green, Janie Bob Scott, Matthew Bob Stull and Joe Bob Finetti. Randy Newman's "Lonely at the Top," "Purple Haze" by Jimi Hendrix and Peggy Lee's "Fever" were among the other popular contemporary works on the program.

A good portion of the selections were original works, most of those written all or in part by Richard Green, whose deep, deep, Swedish massage voice is a key to The Bobs' vocal distinctiveness. He's known as the Woofer. The group's Tweeter is Janie Scott, a vibrant singer who is absolutely in command of the vocal eccentricities required to be a member of The Bobs. Stull presents Midrange Horn with phenomenal capacity, particularly in the jazz numbers. Finetti, rounds out the quartet as the dazzling Mid-range Driver.

Keeping just a few paces ahead of FOAS, the Federal Office of A Capella Safety, The Bobs talents surged through songs with such titles as "Sign My Snarlin' Doggie," "Krishna," "Mr. Duality," "ITHOTMOA" (about shopping malls), and "Spontaneous Human Combustion."

The Performance Carmel show, while superb in most respects, seemed a bit too loose at some moments, giving the impression that the four had not been together for awhile. They occasionally had trouble agreeing on what number was next and seemed a little too improvisational at other times. The program went about 15 minutes too long (Leave'm wanting more.) I was also bothered by Scott's dress which, while glittery and charming, was so skimpy that I couldn't look at her without feeling cold. It was not an outfit for the cold Sunset auditorium.

Fun material, though, and amazing performers! Catch them if you can.

Pescadero Change Continued

The Planning Commission continued to Feb. 24 a request for a lot line change on a Pescadero Canyon property so the Planning Department can determine whether or not there are four lots involved.

Commissioners took the action after City Attorney Don Freeman said they had to deal with the land owned by Tescher-Levett Inc. as one parcel because the city had not determined whether it was one or four lots. Chris Tescher explained that efforts to trade the land for city-owned property had fallen through, and he planned to sell the lots and donate any profit to city groups.

Commissioner Ed Jordan said he failed to see how the lot line change affected the property.



J. ANTHONY LAMBERT AND SANDY SIDENER appear in "Danny and the Deep Blue Sea" at the Monterey Peninsula College SRO theatre Feb. 5-14. The play is a production of the college Drama Department. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 7 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5.

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FUN-IN-THE-SUN

By Dave Lyon

Hey gang, the CVCYC sponsored Ground-Hog Day party this past Sunday was a big success. This annual event was held in conjunction with the 27th Superbowl, played this year in sunny Pasadena. Even the Buffalo Bills got in on the act; they took one look at their shadows, decided the season was over, turned their tails and ran.

At my house we have a variation on Ground-Hog Day called Blanket Hog, whereby my two Golden Retrievers roll over on the morning of the second, see their shadows, and burrow back under the comforter. My mid-winter weather prediction: it's going to rain until the Valley pool opens during the first weekend in April.

Last year the Carmel Valley Pool was absolutely the place to be. Only dweebs and several forms of lower plant life failed to show. And this coming swim season is going to be even better. I hear this rumor there's going to be a new diving board, and hey, maybe even a slide. But that's just a rumor, you understand. Yes, the pool will be opening the first week in April, and now is the time to think about that family, group, or individual swim pass. Call the Youth Center office at (you should all have this memorized by now) 659-3983 for information or the up-coming swim season. Until the pool opens, it will still be available for group ice-hockey lessons.

On Saturday, March 20, your CVCYC and the Monterey Rape Crisis Center will sponsor a women's self-defense workshop at the Youth Center Building on Ford Road. This one-day class is open to women 16 years and older and will be held from one to five in the afternoon. The cost is only \$15. Call the CVCYC office, or the Rape Crisis Center at 373-3955, for sign-ups and info. We understand that CVCYC Prez William "Bill" Tarp has volunteered to be practice dummy for this important workshop.

Mark your calendars, gang. Saturday, the first of May is going to be the big night in Carmel Valley. Monte Carlo, everyone's favorite night at the casino, is coming to Hidden Valley. This popular event gets bigger and better each year, with fabulous prizes, great music, and

endless libations. (Hey, why go to Reno? Party right here in your own back yard.) Monte Carlo Night is a major fund-raiser for the CVCYC and all monies donated are totally tax-deductible. This is also an extremely popular night with all Carmel Valley locals; make plans now to attend. All the money raised goes right back into creating the kinds of events and community programs that make Carmel Valley a special place to live.

Se habla Español? Si! The 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Spanish classes for kids at the CVCYC was such a popular idea (donde esta señor Moose?) that we're going to try adding one for adults. Everyone interested in signing-up is urged to call the Youth Center office at (uno mas time) 659-3983.

Also going on at the Youth Center...check-out the Karate class, held Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Youth Center Activity House for ages 6 to 9, and from 4 to 5 p.m. for ages 10 to 16. Sign-ups and info of course are available by contacting the CVCYC office.

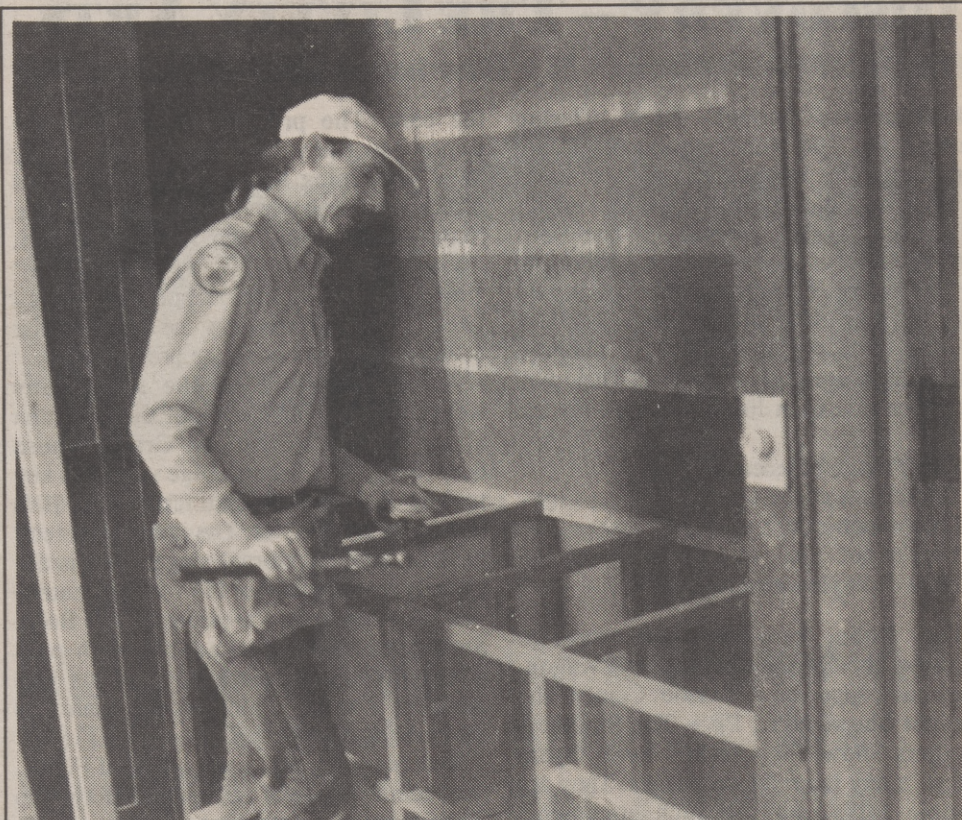
Wednesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. the CVCYC Aikido class is open to all ages interested in learning more about this non-combative martial art. No prior experience is required. The cost is only \$25 per month, and everyone is welcome. Info is available by contacting the CVCYC office or by calling Aikido instructor Steven Davalos at 625-5922.

On Thursdays, a Creative Writing Class is held for adults from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Youth Center. This class is open to everyone who wants to learn to write real gooder.

And finally, a special thanks to everyone who joined in the search for missing CVCYC board member Fred, who vanished two weeks ago during the flooding. Fred turned up safe and dry last Tuesday; turns out he was at the Running Iron the whole time.

Cachagua Story Hour Set

The Cachagua Community Center is sponsoring a weekly story hour for preschool children starting Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. For information, telephone Kimberley Boughner at 659-3503.



MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN Sean McNaughton is renovating the Garland Park Visitors Center, building in storage drawers and display cabinets. Plans call for the center to be used as a natural history resource center now that the regional park district staff has moved its offices to the nearby Cooper Ranch addition to the park.
Sun photo by Stan Hall

Park Seeks Docents for Nature Center

With administrative offices having moved to nearby Cooper Ranch, the visitor center at Garland Park is being renovated to serve as a natural history resource center, and park naturalist Nikki Nedeff renewed her call for volunteer docents to help man it.

Shelves and display cases are being built in the office formerly occupied by the regional park district's staff by maintenance technician Sean McNaughton.

His work at both the visitor center and the new administrative offices at the Cooper Ranch addition of Garland Park has been slowed, he said, because recent heavy rains downed so many trees and caused landslides and other damage which he had to deal with first.

Nedeff said the park district had hoped

to have work at the visitor center and Cooper Ranch essentially finished by April 24 when the district is planning a barbecue at the park as part of its celebration of its 20th anniversary.

Nedeff said the revamped visitor center will have information available for visitors showing park trails, examples of the plants and animals in it, and display collections of such items as birds' nests, seeds and fossils.

Asked how many docent volunteers the park needed, Nedeff said, "As many as we can get." She added the park hoped to recruit a core group of at least 25 docents who could staff the renovated visitor center weekdays.

Those interested in possibly joining the docent program should call Nedeff at 659-4488.

Carmel Schools Music Benefit Concert Set

Kitty Margolis and Madeline Eastman, two of the top young jazz singers on the West Coast, have been signed for a concert which will benefit the Carmel schools music programs.

It will be held March 3 at Sunset Center in Carmel under the joint sponsorship of the Carmel Unified School Music Boosters and the Carmel Mission Kiwanis Club.

Tickets will be \$15 at the door or \$12 in advance at Do-Re-Mi Music in Carmel Plaza or the Barnyard and Recycled Records in Monterey. For information, telephone Paul Brocchini of the Carmel Mission Kiwanis at 624-1414 or Diane Eagle at 625-1598.

Proceeds will benefit the Carmel music programs, with 20 percent going to the task force studying the possible interior renovation of Sunset Center. Brocchini said sponsors hoped to raise \$6,000.

The Carmel High School Jazz Ensemble and the Carmel Marching and Chowder Society Dixieland Band will open the concert.

Carmel Will Vote On Desal June 8

Although Councilman Bob Fischer said he felt like someone had put a gun to his head, the City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to let Carmel voters decide whether the peninsula should build a \$32 million desalination plant.

General Manager Jim Cofer of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District said whether Carmel residents cast ballots or not, they still would be charged for drought protection costs and would receive none of the water from the plant.

"You have to give your citizens the right to vote," said Chairman Ken Long. "That's the bottom line." He said the state law governing the election June 8 "was written by local people."

If the council voted to deny residents the right to vote and the plant was approved, the chances of Carmel getting back into the project were slim, Cofer said.

If the plant is approved, Carmel residents would have their water bills go up about \$10 on the average bimonthly bill, he said.



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OUT AND ABOUT

BY ISABELLE HALL

We came home after putting this newspaper to bed a couple of weeks ago to find the door open from the deck to the living room and Lucy, our cat, curled up on the white sofa with a wonderful inscrutable look on her face.

It said a lot of things such as, "This is, after all, where I belong," and "You ought to be lucky you've got me as a watch cat," and "So, where have you two been while I've been guarding the house."

I feel sorry for people who don't like cats. They miss so much not knowing these incredible creatures.

Having always thought they were smart, I was still surprised to see a chart of animal evolution at the Sonoran Desert Museum in Tucson depicting the domestic cat as one of the highest forms of animal life to have evolved over billions of years on earth.

Knowing Lucy though, I can believe it. We acquired Lucy and her brother, Linus, as 6-week-old kittens about 18 months ago through Donna Hamilton who runs The Iron Kettle. They had been abandoned and were destined for the SPCA.

Lucy is a black and white cat. Linus is almost totally black with a white stomach and a white spot on one foot. He has an exquisite coat like a sable or mink. Lucy's coat is not quite as beautiful but she has so much personality you'd never notice.

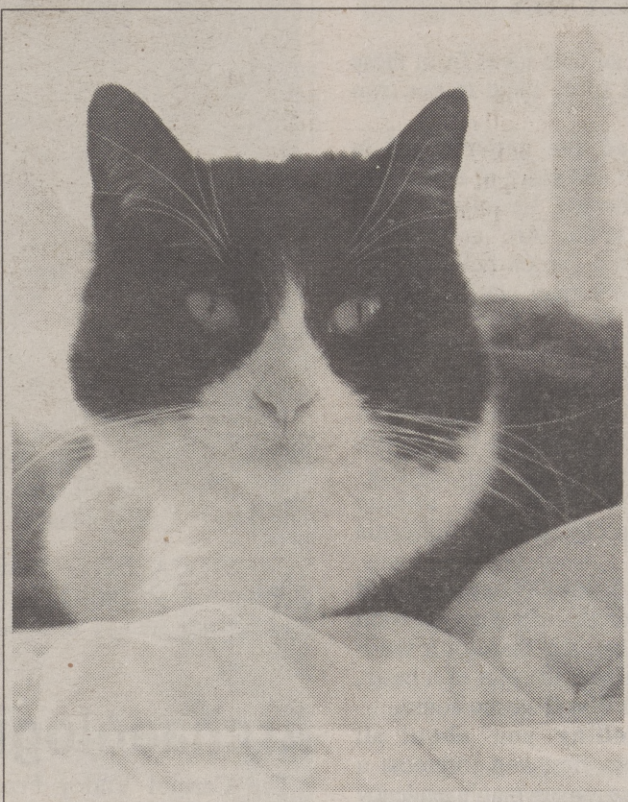
We raised these kittens to be outdoor cats which in Hall family language means they can come in when we're home if they sit on our laps once in awhile, but they eat and live and spend the night outside. (Actually, it's inside because we have a big greenhouse area under the house where they have carpets and pillows to sleep on, totally protected from the elements.)

This was okay for Lucy for awhile, but not too long after we adopted these kittens, Little Yellow Cat came along. We have no idea where he came from but suddenly there were three cats eating twice a day and hanging around the yard.

Lucy and Linus hissed a lot at the intruder and attacked him with harmless little swatting gestures from time to time, but he was not about to be driven off. All three would run in the house when they heard the can opener in the kitchen where Linus and Yellow Cat would stage a mini-fight as male cats are prone to do.

Linus loved to come in and sit on Stan's lap. Lucy went along with this program until she discovered the down-filled quilt on our bed and headed for it every chance she got. She must think she is sleeping on a bunch of birds because the down seems to draw her like a magnet. Perhaps that's why she sits on the sofa as if it were her throne. It, too, is filled with down.

The smallest of the trio, Lucy also learned to climb better and farther than the males. At about six months she could be up the Monterey pine tree and on to the roof and down on the second story deck in nothing flat. She quickly learned that this deck provided access to



LUCY THE CAT

our bedroom and that quilt, so she developed the trick of spending her afternoons laying in the sunshine on the deck away from the two male cats. Now she hops up there and meows to get in during the night.

Stan, who swore we never, ever would have another cat sleep indoors, gets up sleepily and lets her in. She has even spurned the quilt, preferring now to curl up next to his warm body through the night.

It has been fascinating to watch Lucy's mind and personality grow as she matures. With an incredible single-mindedness, this cat decided that her favorite thing was to sleep on the white sofa, or the soft bed pillows in the guest room, or on the eiderdown quilt in our bedroom, or now next to Stan.

She has gone about achieving this on a daily basis with a persistence that you can only admire. She has taught us to cater to her.

At a very early age, she discovered the closet where we keep the cat food and would go to it and meow. This so enchanted Stan that he began the bad habit of opening the closet for her and putting a handful of cat crunchies out for a little snack.

Lucy has her snack on the closet floor daily now. She prefers it to eating out of her cat dish.

There is no question what this cat wants when she wants something. She looks at you with her huge green eyes, imploring you to understand her wishes, sometimes adding a pointed meow if you're slow on the uptake. From the front she looks like butter wouldn't melt in her little bow of a mouth. From the side, this mouth curls up into a perfect replica of the Cheshire Cat in Alice in Wonderland. It connotes smugness.

Meanwhile, back outside is Linus. He looks like a miniature panther but he simply lacks the personality of his sister. We desperately want him to come in and be a buddy. Instead, he's grown more and more skittish the older he gets. After spending a week at the vet while we were on Christmas vacation, he is terrified we are going to put him in a cage again and take him back there. It didn't bother Lucy. She had all the staff waiting on her.

I think she has developed to the point where she is ready for a dog. Our last cat, Charlie, trained two German Shepherds over 13 years. Lucy could probably handle two puppies at once.

A curious creature, the cat, with its long memory and a highly developed instinct for self preservation. I don't think Linus is dumb. He simply has his own priorities, and they have nothing to do with those of his sister. He let me pick him up the other day for the first time in three weeks, so I am hopeful he will overcome his fear. I need to hold him.

He must have been reading over my shoulder because that night when I went upstairs there were Lucy and Linus stretched out like two parallel ships floating on the quilt at the end of the bed.

"Linus has forgiven us," I told Stan.

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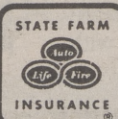
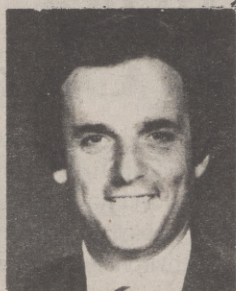
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TROWEL & HOE

BY MARK EATON

In any vocation, or avocation for that matter, it's a good idea to once in a while get back to the basics. I was able to attend an excellent symposium at San Francisco's Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens last week. Titled "Mastering Garden Style," it featured some pretty high level garden designers.

The symposium was "intended for advanced amateur gardeners, landscape designers, nursery and garden center operators, and others who wish to extend their understanding of the garden-making process..."

The speakers were Wayne Winterrowd, Joe Eck, Chris Rosmini and Harlan Hand. Winterrowd and Eck are partners at North Hill Garden Design Associates in Vermont as well as being frequent contributors to *Horticulture Magazine* which sponsored the event. Winterrowd recently published an excellent book on annuals and half-hardy perennials called *Annuals for Connoisseurs*.

Harlan Hand is an artist, teacher and garden designer whose own garden in El Cerrito near Berkeley is renowned both for its collection of plants and its design. He has written extensively on plants and gardening and his work has been profiled in a number of magazines and books.

Chris Rosmini, who studied classics and art at UCLA, has designed gardens in California for more than 20 years. In 1992, she was honored by the Southern California Horticultural Society with the Horticulturist of the Year award. She has done some exceptional work in the area of drought resistant landscape design.

Winterrowd and Eck were entertaining, lively speakers who worked well off each other. They showed an extensive collection of slides which were taken from three great gardens: Sissinghurst and Great Dixter in England and our Filoli in Woodside. They

showed how we can take ideas from these great gardens and apply them to our own plot of land.

Hand described the artist's role in working with color and space to expand the dimensions of gardening. He called his session "The Garden as Fine Art," and justified that a well-designed garden belongs with many of the world's great works of art in significance.

Like the others, Rosmini showed many slides of her work, exploring the architectural, environmental and historical influences that bring distinction to the modern California landscape. Her designs are thoroughly at home with our unique Mediterranean-like climate and California topography.

After the lunch break, Winterrowd and Eck came back for the afternoon session and took us step-by-step through a landscape design to enliven the plot of a basic, boring, post-World War II stucco house.

Why am I telling you about all this? Because I am first and foremost a nurseryman with the nurseryman's tendency to bring plants home and plunk them into the ground just to see how they'll do. Although I have been trained in these design techniques in the past, I have a tendency to ignore them in my own yard which is in need of a good bit of discipline. These very inspiring speakers rejuvenated my enthusiasm for what is known as the "design process."

We are all interested in the idea of growing plants which in spite of this artistic design stuff should still be the main reason we garden. but, a cohesive design brings it all together and makes for a more satisfying whole. In future articles through the year, I would like to explain some of these basic elements of good garden design in hopes that it will make your own gardening more enjoyable.

The other reason why I tell you about this symposium is that I want to convey my pleasure in the job that *Horticulture Magazine* did in putting on this event. I have had over the years opportunities to attend a number of such seminars and they unfortunately usually fall short of expectations. This one was well-organized and a pleasure to attend, the long drive notwithstanding. If you want to get beyond "puttering around the garden," a presentation of this nature would be worthwhile.

CV Little League Seeks Coaches

Coaches and managers are needed for the Carmel Valley Little League. Applications are available at the Carmel Valley Business Service or from Mark Rankin at 659-4491. The deadline for applying is Wednesday.



SOPHISTICATED GARDEN DESIGNS often incorporate rocks, water and other elements in addition to plants. Above, a trickle of water into a pool adds interest to an informal design, and plants grow in the cracks between the rocks.

Photo courtesy The American Man's Garden

Archaeologist to Speak to CVPOA

The Carmel Valley Property Owners Association (CVPOA) will install its new officers and board at its annual meeting Feb. 10 at Hidden Valley Music Seminars where archaeologist Gary Breschini will discuss the archaeology of the Carmel Valley area.

An authority on the area's Indians, Breschini has conducted digs where a proposed, new Carmel River dam would be built. He has also researched Indian habitats in other parts of Monterey County.

The public is invited to attend the 7:30 p.m. meeting. There is no charge.

New CVPOA officers are president, Roger Williams; vice-president, George Ferguson; secretary, Wendy Grimes; and treasurer, Ilene Crane-Franks.

Newly elected directors are Patricia Bernardi, Lee Rieman, Dale Eberly, Jim Flippin Joyce Herman, Peter Salmonsens, and Nancy Porter. Alternate directors are Christopher Cayce and Loren Steck.

Other CVPOA directors whose terms were not up for re-election are Robert Greenwood, Vernon Juergens and Todd Wahle. Allan Sandstrum, outgoing president, will serve as ex-officio director.

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MEMBERS OF CARMEL'S Northeast Neighbors Association pitched in recently to help clean up parks in the cash-short city. Shown are, from the left, Gordon Miller, Nina Almond and Noel Van Bibber. Not shown are Jay Criddle and Paul Hezdovac.

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Valley's Jerry Foote Named Planning Commissioner

By Carolyn Rice

Newly appointed Planning Commissioner Jerry Foote of Carmel Valley said she is already being stopped by people on the street who start in, "You won't believe what happened to me, but...."

Foote, who will officially join the 10-member commission Feb. 10, said she has been warned the twice monthly meetings often consume all day and part of the evening, but she is prepared for it.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman appointed Foote to replace Marit Evans of Corral de Tierra who resigned, saying she has "an excellent background in land use."

Strasser Kauffman noted that Foote served as the first chairwoman of the county subdivision evaluation committee. "She has a commitment to uphold county land policies, especially the preservation of agricultural land," Strasser Kauffman said.

Foote wouldn't give her age. "Let's say I'm a senior citizen. That's enough." She said her qualifications for the job include being "thorough, and I try to listen to all sides of the problem."

The Planning Commission job comes with a \$400 a month stipend, lunch on meeting days and mileage.

Saying she has a hopeless love affair with Carmel Valley—"I just can't help it"—she insisted, nonetheless, that she won't approach her new responsibilities parochially.

"I plan to tour each land use area in the county," she said. "It's good not to be too parochial." She said the county is large and varied. She gained a knowledge of it while serving on the Monterey County Parks Commission, she said. "I roamed the county for four years."

Foote said her past land use experience includes a long session of working with the Carmel Valley Master Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee. She said she remembered when the committee started in December of 1976, and that it took until 1982 to get the plan certified.

"I thought we did a good job as citizens/amateurs," she said. Foote recalled the advisory committee had members who came from a broad spectrum on land use is-

but qualified it by saying, "I'm not a 10 and not a two. I'm somewhere in the middle. I'm concerned with the delicate balance between people's needs and respect for the land. The decisions are not always what you thought they might be."

Work with the League of Women Voters gave her experience in learning how to study issues carefully, Foote said. "They never arrive at any quick conclusions. It prepares you for all types of service." She has served as vice president, editor and study chair of the Monterey Chapter, and remembers back to 1954 when she was a League member in Alexandria, Va., and The Supreme Court's Brown versus the Board of Education school desegregation order was the controversial issue at hand.

Foote was born in Texas and has lived throughout the world, spending quite a bit of time in the Washington, D.C. area. Her husband, Edward Potter Foote, had a U.S. Air Force career which took them to many locations, but since 1970 they have lived in Carmel Valley.

Foote has also served on the Parks Foundation of Monterey County, Big Sur Land Trust and a finance advisory committee for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.

She has been president of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association and was a recipient of 1991 Good Egg award from the Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Meantime, Miguel Errea, a San Ardo landowner and rancher, has been appointed to the commission by Third District Supervisor Tom Perkins to serve out the remaining three years of Tom Glau's four-year term. Glau, a San Ardo grower who served on the commission 11 years, resigned last month.



JERRY FOOTE

sues, and it took a lot of work to come up with a plan.

Foote called herself an environmentalist,

Good Eggs Named; Infelise Installed

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cannot afford to buy it and helps people get veterinarian care for their pets.

"I am what I am because of my mother and dad," she said.

Besides their annual Christmas role, the Buckhams assist the Girl Scouts and residents of Rippling River in Carmel Valley Village. Natives of Illinois, they were married in 1943, and they moved to the Valley 1964.

The Buckhams were nominated for the award by Randy Randazzo. May was nominated by Chuck McKay, a fellow director on the park district board, and Nick Nicholson, who was jointly honored with his wife in 1985, nominated Clough. Good Eggs are decided by a vote of former winners of the award and kept secret until the annual dinner.

Besides Infelise, other chamber officers installed at the dinner were Randazzo, first vice president; Michelle Pearson, second vice president; Don Lamar, secretary; and Don Condren, treasurer. Directors are Gary Carmichael, Jay Gentry, Linda Horning, Marjorie Loughridge, Rose McHale, Judi Pospishil, Melissa Taylor, and Burney Threadgill.

At a planning meeting directed by Infelise, board members agreed to focus on two objectives this year—broadening the membership and becoming a more valuable resource to members.

Plans call for a survey of existing members to determine what chamber activities are most valuable to them and a separate survey aimed at non-members to try to learn what activities would attract them.

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Highlands Parcel Rezone Okayed

A Carmel Highlands doctor won approval Monday from the Highlands/Bixby Advisory Committee for a zoning change on a 27-acre parcel he owns high up Fern Canyon.

Dr. Ronald Gerren wants to rezone one acre of his land from its Resource Conservation designation to Low Density Residential to get a better site for a single-family residence. In return, he said he would ask for rezoning so that he could build only one other house on the land, and would put the entire canyon section into Scenic Easement.

The committee said it would recommend approval of the request to the County Planning Commission subject to the conditions Gerren proposed. The changes, which call for an amendment to the Carmel Area Land Use Plan, also must be approved by the Coastal Commission.

Gerren's land runs along Fern Canyon Road and Coronado above Mt. Devon Rd with all but the nine acres currently zoned Resource Conservation, a designation which permits no improvements of any kind. His building site is a large flat, treeless area commanding a view of the ocean.

The one-acre he wants rezoned has some pine and oak trees. As a condition of approval, the committee said the trees must not be cut. Gerren said he had no plans to cut any trees.

If the request is approved, Gerren would be allowed to build two single-family homes on about nine acres of the property which currently is zoned for one house per acre.

Committee member Walter Alsty said he was not sure Gerren would be able to make the zoning changes because it "calls for a Land Use amendment."

Chair Barbara Rainer called it "a very generous offer."

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Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Recycling Bins Littering Carmel

Carmel has a litter problem caused by those ubiquitous green and yellow recycling bins and trash cans.

The problem is such that Building Official Tim Meroney said he devotes about 10 percent of his time personally answering calls from irate residents complaining that their neighbors or businesses in the commercial district are littering the streets with their trash containers.

Meroney said he inspects the location of each complaint, speaks to the owner if anyone is around, or leaves his card, politely asking that the bins be put away. "I never have to go back," he said during an interview when he drove a reporter along the streets pointing out the problem.

"Vacationers may be a lot to blame," Meroney suggested. "People used to keep them out of sight."

The tall, blond whose principal job is field inspections for the Planning Department and working as a volunteer for the Police Department, said he gets a lot of abuse.

"People complain to me, saying, 'The city's got nothing better to do than come out and harrass me about garbage tins,'" he said.

He offered a plea to Carmelites to store their recycling bins after they are emptied and to obey the city ordinance requiring that regular garbage containers be kept out of sight.

The plastic, brightly colored bins were put into use in a program to encourage recycling and meet a state mandated program that each county reduce the amount of garbage it puts in landfills of face fines of \$10,000-a-day. The bins are to be used for newspapers, cans and plastic bottles.

White Oak Project Wins Okay

A proposal to create nearly 7,000-square-feet of new commercial space at White Oak Plaza won unanimous approval of the Board of Supervisors Tuesday after the architect assured neighbors he would address their concerns about drainage, traffic and septic runoff.

Architect Paul Davis of Monterey told the board and three residents of the White Oak condominiums who were in the audience that he would use catch basins, percolation areas and perhaps even cisterns to control runoff from the Henry Rue property in Carmel Valley Village.

"The water does sheet across the property and onto the adjacent land," Davis said. "It's just a function of the topography" of the lot at the corner of Carmel Valley Road and Paso Hondo.

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman moved that the project be approved after suggesting that conditions be added to provide for no parking on the east side of Paso Hondo and barring a new entrance to the property off Carmel Valley Road for at least the time being. She also specified that Paso Hondo should be repainted to mark off both right and left turn lanes onto Carmel Valley Road.

A new condition added by the planning staff also called for a driveway on the west side of the property leading to Paso Hondo to be used as an exit only.

Sherwood Hall, president of the White Oak Homeowners Association, told the board. "We're not basically opposed to the project if we can solve these two problems." He cited drainage and traffic. Later he also voiced a concern about seepage from the project's septic system, saying "We could be on the low end of some nasty water."

Strasser Kauffman said the project was commendable for its preservation of old oaks and its architectural style which is patterned after the historic Iron Kettle Restaurant, once used as a dairy's cooling house.

The project calls for removal of one of two remaining residential units, the conversion of the remaining unit to commercial space and the addition of three new, one-story buildings. When completed, the project would add a total of 6,932-square-feet of new commercial space. It would not affect the little blue house close to Carmel

Valley Road which houses Dr. Maurice Corbett's orthodontics practice.

Strasser Kauffman also praised the small scale of the project, saying "it is preferential to some other proposals made for the property." In the past, Ryu had proposed building condominiums on the 37,200-square-foot lot.

Davis said conversion of the existing unit from residential to commercial would result in less water being used and less septic system inflow.

He said he would meet with the homeowners after an engineer had prepared a drainage plan, which would then have to be approved by the Planning Department. He added very little grading would be done on the property during construction.

Davis also said plans had been changed and a pathway would be constructed on the outside of a fence on the west side of the lot along Paso Hondo. He added that Ryu planned to install a bench to create a seating area near the intersection.

Saying he already had met with homeowners twice, Davis said he also would confer with them in the development of a final landscaping plan. The new buildings will be tucked in among the oaks, and no trees will be removed, he said.

House Clerk Keeps Panetta's Offices Open until Election

The Clerk of the House of Representatives will operate former Rep. Leon Panetta's offices in California and Washington until his successor is elected.

House Clerk Donald K. Anderson said the Washington office would be administered by Panetta's former legislative director, Tom Vellenga, while Mary Becker will be in charge of offices in Monterey, Salinas and Santa Cruz.

A successor is expected to be elected June 8 to fill the seat vacated by Panetta who resigned Jan. 21 to become budget director in the new Clinton Administration.

Anderson said Panetta's staff would remain on the payroll to operate the offices until then to help with constituent casework, assist in carrying out executive department work and provide information and other services.

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In case you have not heard, the state is holding up refunds on returns that claimed the renters credit. This is in anticipation that a law rescinding the renters credit will soon be passed. If you want to complain, the head of the Franchise Tax Board, Gerald Goldberg, may be reached at (916) 369-4543.

Selling real property in 1993? Watch the proration of your property taxes at the time of sale. Many folks pay their full property tax bill in December and take a deduction. If you sold in March of the following year, you would get a credit for property taxes paid—and that credit may be taxable. The IRS is issuing a new form that will require escrow companies to report property tax prorations.

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The Sun makes every effort to report these sales accurately, but anyone should consult a Realtor or other investment professional before taking action based on this information.

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MISSION STREET. Patricia A. Sammon to Cynthia J. Curry. \$500,000.

SANTA FE STREET. Continental Auxiliary Co. to B. A. Properties Inc. \$273,000.

CARPENTER STREET. Wells Fargo Bank to Nancy P. Thomas. \$302,000.

JUNIPERO AVENUE. Robert M. Nesmith to Jesse L. and Carol J. Kahn. \$495,000.

8TH AVENUE. J. J. Moiso to Keith F. Anderson. \$582,500.

Greater Carmel

26159 MESA DRIVE. Robert and Denise A. D. O'Toole to Patrick V. M. Duffy. \$325,000.

9 SAN CLEMENTE DRIVE. Howard and Candace A. Buck to Ray E. and Star R. Gerawan. \$1,288,000.

26225 ISABELLA AVENUE. Richard A. and Sally A. Hendricks to Patricia A. Henderson. \$277,500.

26225 ISABELLA AVENUE. Kirk O. and Kathryn S. Hanson to Patricia A. Henderson. \$277,500.

Carmel Valley

927 CARMEL VALLEY ROAD. Tom Trainor to Michael Strong. \$450,000.

35 TOYON WAY. Daniel M. McGilloway Sr. to John C. and Marilyn J. Teters. \$425,000.

Pacific Grove

AUSTIN AVENUE. Florence D. Adams to Stanley E. and Marianne B. Harless. \$99,000.

1619 SUNSET DRIVE. Edgar H. Cassada to Harry D. Elizonna. \$700,000.

Pebble Beach

17 MILE DRIVE. Tishikiyo A. Matsui to Glenn E. and Lavina J. Stinson. \$3,500,000.

4174 CREST ROAD. Robert D. Slate to Mark E. Stilwell. \$340,000.

Historical Surveyors Will Move Into First Murphy House Feb. 16

Acting City Administrator Greg D'Am-brosio announced Friday that the office of the Carmel Historical survey and its team of volunteers will move out of City Hall and into the First Murphy House Feb. 16.

Use of the historic house in the city's First Murphy Park has come under challenge from former Planning Commissioner Howard Nieman, Jr. who filed a complaint with the Planning Department last week. Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth said he was researching Nieman's complaint that a use permit was never requested or approved for the house which is in the R-1 district.

Enid Sales, director of the survey, said three people work regularly and a research group of six people meet once a week.

"City Hall is so crowded," Sales said. "It's been very difficult for everybody."

There are some 30 volunteer members of the survey which has completed its four-year review of Carmel's historic properties, a key step in approval of the Historic Preservation Ordinance given final reading last month.

The city has approved spending \$10,000 for a professional coordinator to evaluate the 2,500 properties surveyed. Files on the project were stored in the Planning Department, and the surveyors have worked in the basement at City Hall and in the council chambers, meeting once a week for the past year or so.

Sales said the files would be moved into the back room of the First Murphy cottage which was used as the family kitchen when the house was built in 1907 by master builder M.J. Murphy for his mother and sisters.

In a letter to the editor, Sales said she wanted to correct Nieman's "intentionally unpleasant and incorrect comments" about First Murphy activities. She said Christmas ornaments were not sold at the house as he said in his complaint but at other locations with funds used to pay for operating costs, and coffee and tea were offered as a courtesy to visitors.

Asked for comment on the move, Nieman said, "This is but another example of the city ignoring the R-1 district regula-

tions for its own pet projects. These R-1 district regulations are the very reason why our residential neighborhoods have remained as we like them: free of commercial uses.

"Zoning, not historic preservation studies, have maintained Carmel's character," he contended. Nieman also chastized Mayor Ken White for approving the "city's conduct," charging it "sends completely the wrong message to the community."

Men's Cooking Classes Offered

Meals on Wheels in Pacific Grove will conduct a cooking class for senior men every Tuesday at 4 p.m. from Feb. 16-March 30. The classes are geared for widowed or single men to teach them to make simple meals from scratch so they do not have to use expensive, frozen meals. The classes will be taught by professional cooks and a dietician.

The cost is \$30 and includes prepared meals at the end of each hour session. Call 375-4454 for reservations.

SPCA Thrift Shop's New Village Location Can be Hard to Find

Volunteers at the Carmel Valley Village SPCA Thrift Shop said they wanted to remind citizens where their new store is: It's at 6 Village Drive, south of Carmel Valley Road, in the center of the Village and on the east side of the street.

Volunteer Pat Cummings said the new location provides four rooms for reusable clothing, housewares, books and simply "treasures."

The shop moved from its previous location next to the Thai Bistro on Carmel Valley Road late last year when the restaurant expanded.

"We've had a lot of people say they had trouble finding us," said another volunteer.

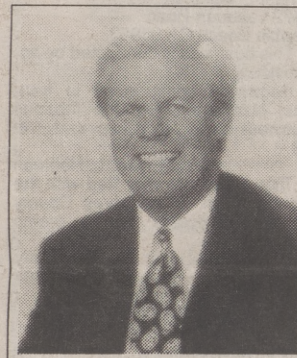
Cummings said the three benefit shops in Carmel Valley, Carmel and Pacific Grove generate about \$100,000 a year to help support the SPCA shelter on the Monterey-Salinas Highway.

"Your tax deductible donations are always needed," she said. They may be taken to the Village Drive location between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The telephone at the Village shop is 659-2389.

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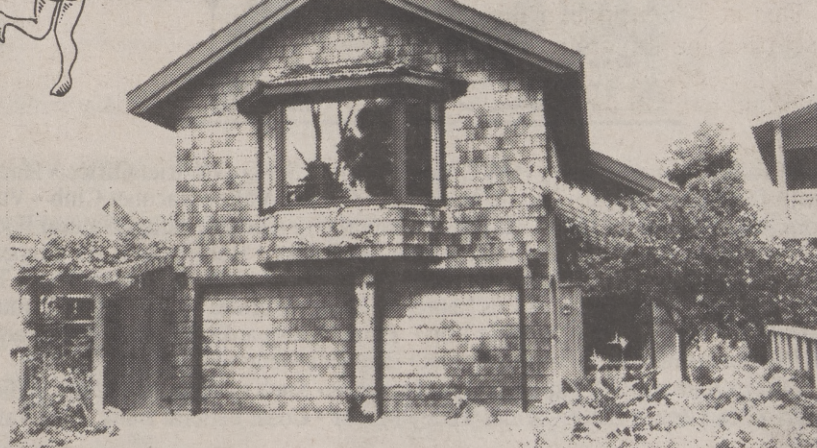
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Measure is to be voted on at a special election to be held entirely by mail ballot in the proposed Cachagua Fire Protection District on Tuesday, the 11th day of May, 1993.

"Shall the order adopted on January 12, 1993, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey ordering the formation, subject to an election, of the Cachagua Fire Protection District pursuant to the provisions of Health and Safety Code Section 13800 et seq., be confirmed?"

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the last day to submit arguments for or against this Measure with the office of the Registrar of Voters located at 1370 B South Main Street in Salinas, California is Friday February 26, 1993 by 5:00 P.M. Arguments are limited to 300 words and may be signed by up to five persons. Arguments must be accompanied by a Statement of Authors as prescribed by Elections Code section 5350.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the last day to submit rebuttal arguments in response to arguments for or against this Measure with the office of the Registrar is Monday March 8, 1993.

NOTICE IS FINALLY GIVEN that at the Special Election will be conducted entirely by mail and no polling places will be established. The voted ballots will be counted at the Monterey County Election Department commencing at 8:00 P.M. on May 11, 1993. The public is invited to attend.

Dated: February 2, 1993

BRADLEY J. CLARK

Registrar of Voters

Monterey County Election Department

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Filed January 11, 1993
File No. F930055

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(s) Glenn C. Tomblin
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Filed December 29, 1992
File No. F922115

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Megan Gabrielle Ashley
530 Quail Run Court.
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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Mehdi Shahbazi
9603 Buckeye Ct.
Carmel, CA 93923

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(s) Deborah Jeannette Harris
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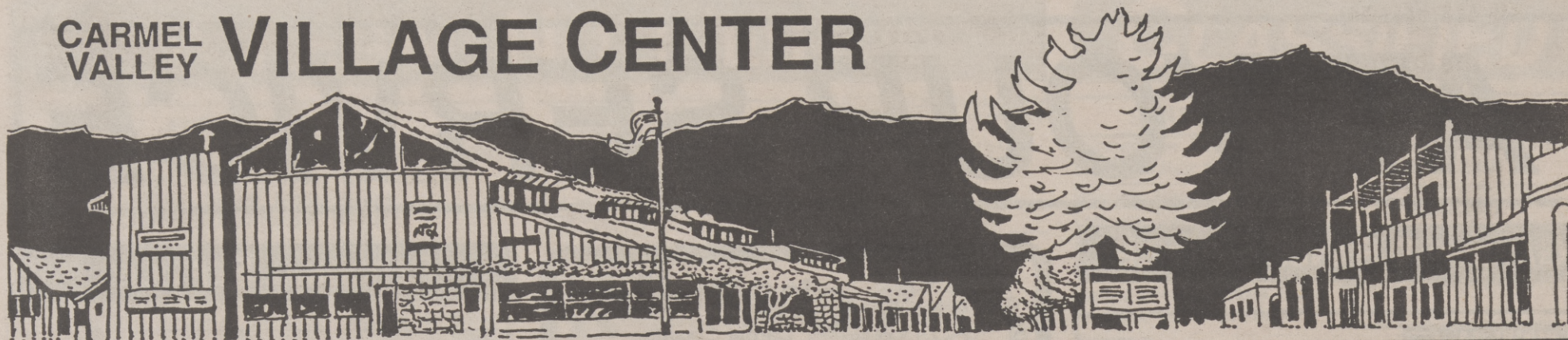
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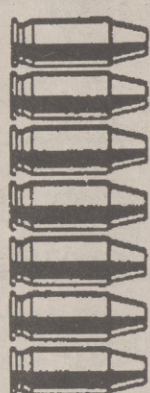
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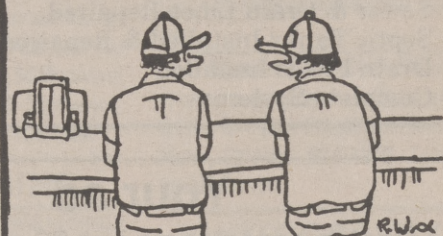
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